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SEEMS LIKE IT'S MY FATE TO COME OUT OF A DUNGEON AND BE AMBUSHED ON ALL SIDES.

HUH, VALE-FOR?

WITHOUT THIS, I CAN'T CONTRACT WITH YOU.

YOU DON'T SEEM TO HAVE ANY METAL I CAN RESIDE IN.

OH?

AND THIS SWORD WON'T DO?

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THIS NECKLACE WITH A RED JEWEL SET INTO IT. IT'S MY FAVORITE, SO I CAN SLEEP WELL THERE.

IT'S THE METAL I'VE BEEN LIVING IN UNTIL TODAY.

THE MOST I CAN GIVE YOU IS THIS.

SO FOR THE DJINN, IT'S LIKE BEING ROOM-MATES?

HUH? WHY DOES IT MATTER?

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THIS SWORD IS ALREADY CONTRACTED TO BAAL.

I CERTAINLY CAN'T LIVE WITH A STUBBORN PERSON LIKE THAT.

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SHOW YOUR SELF,

I COM-MAND THEE AND THINE HOUSE-HOLD.

SPIRIT OF DECEP-TION AND POPU-LARITY*,

Vale for!!!

* THIS COULD ALSO BE TRANSLATED AS "SPIRIT OF VANITY AND CONFIDENCE"

WHAT COULD ITS ABILITY BE...?

THE POWER OF A NEW DUN-GEON...

WATCH OUT!

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OR ELSE, OUR BRETHREN SHALL BECOME YOUR OPPO-NENTS!

THOSE WHO DARE VIOLATE OUR DOMIN-ION, BE GONE AT ONCE!

YOU'D BETTER TAKE CARE!!

WE SHALL ATTACK WITH THE FULL STRENGTH OF THE IMCHAK WARRIORS!

WE SHALL RETREAT FROM HERE, BUT...

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THEY DISAP-PEARED?

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NO, THAT'S NOT THE WAY.... EVERY ONE!

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YOU'D DO WELL TO REMEM-BER THAT.

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DOES NOT ALLOW TRAITORS.

THE OR-GANIZA-TION

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OVER-NIGHT?

BUT THIS TIME A WHOLE DAY HASN'T EVEN PASSED...

BEFORE IT HAD BEEN 2 MONTHS ...

A BUNCH OF YOUNG PEOPLE HAD GATHERED AND GOT US HERE OVER-NIGHT.

PIPILIKA RE-QUEST-ED.

HINAHO-HO'S FATHER, YOU SAVED US! HOW DID YOU GET HERE?

EVERYONE, SPLIT UP THE LOAD AND CARRY IT.

NO, RIGHT NOW, LEAVING IS OUR PRIORITY.

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THAT SAID ...

DRAK ON ...

IF THAT'S THE CASE, I'LL BE LEAVING.

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Imuchakk
Central Capital
Imuchakk National Chief
Rametoto

Let's start from last night's party, when she first appeared.
How did this happen to come about?
We received an audience with the Imuchakk Federation's National Chief.

HINAHOHO... IS IT TRUE THAT YOU ARE LEAVING ON A VOYAGE?
I... WELL...
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THEN WHAT ABOUT OUR...
UM... WHERE'S THE TOILET?
Why am I feeling dizzy?
I HAVE TO BREAK OFF OUR ENGAGEMENT... I CAN'T MARRY YOU, SINCE I'M LEAVING THE COUNTRY.
// ... I SEE.

YOU ARE THE ONLY MAN I WANT AS A HUSBAND. PLEASE.
YOU HAVE GROWN SO MUCH.
I HAVE ALWAYS BEEN WAITING. FOR THE DAY THAT YOU, HINAHOHO, WOULD BECOME AN ADULT... I HAD MADE UP MY MIND.
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT? YOU'RE... THAT ISN'T ALLOWED!
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THEN I'LL JOIN YOU ON YOUR VOYAGE, SO IT WON'T BECOME A PROBLEM FOR OUR MARRIAGE.
I HAVE ALWAYS BELIEVED IN YOU.
I FEEL THE SAME FOR YOU, TOO. ...I UNDERSTAND.

CHIEF RAMETOTO, THE NATIONAL CHIEF OF IMUCHAKK!

IF WE ARE TO MARRY, WE MUST HAVE AN AUDIENCE WITH HIS HIGHNESS...

MY NAME IS RURUMU, DAUGHTER OF IMUCHAKK'S NATIONAL CHIEF RAME-TOTO.
LOOK AT HOW BECOMING HER MUSCLES AND BUILD ARE. WHAT DO YOU THINK? A TRUE BEAUTY, ISN'T SHE? I'M SMITTEN.
LET ME INTRODUCE HER. SHE'S... THE LADY SET TO BECOME MY WIFE.

SINBAD... HINAHOHO'S LORD IS MY LORD.

INEPT AS I AM, WOULD YOU STILL KINDLY ALLOW ME TO ACCOMPANY YOU?

YEAH.

IT'S MY PLEASURE TO MEET YOU, TOO.

WELL... I'M HERE FOR ANOTHER REASON, THOUGH.

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SO THAT'S HOW WE CAME TO BE IN THE NATIONAL CHIEF'S OFFICIAL RESIDENCE, TO GET HIS CONSENT FOR THEIR MARRIAGE AND DEPARTURE.

THANK YOU FOR GRANTING US AUDIENCE TODAY.
I'M HINAHOHO, WARRIOR OF THE IMUCHAKK TRIBE.
WARRIOR HINAHOHO, AND WARRIOR RURUMU HERE,
HAVE COME TO ASK FOR YOUR BLESSING TO BE BESTOWED ON OUR UNION AND YOUR CONSENT FOR OUR LONG-TERM ABSENCE FROM THE REALM OF IMUCHAKK.
CHIEF RAMETOTO, PLEASE CONSIDER OUR REQUEST.
I AM VISITING TODAY IN ORDER TO MAKE A WARRIOR'S OATH.

YOU ARE THE 320TH WARRIOR TO PROPOSE TO MY DAUGHTER.
DO YOU KNOW WHAT THAT NUMBER MEANS?

THREE HUNDRED AND TWENTY.

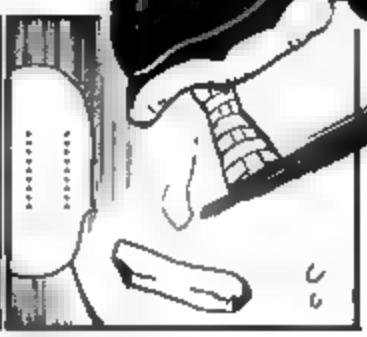
I ONLY HAVE ONE QUESTION FOR YOU, WARRIOR HINAHOHO.
BUT THAT DOESN'T MATTER.
NO ONE ELSE HAS BROUGHT MY DAUGHTER AND A COMPANION ALONG WHEN THEY PROPOSED, THOUGH.

OFFER MY DAUGHTER?
WHAT CAN YOU

AND TRAINED HER TO BE AS STRONG AS ANY WARRIOR,
I'VE TAUGHT MY DAUGHTER EVERYTHING I CAN,
SOCIAL STAN-DING?
MO-NEY?
PO-WER?
IF YOU WANT TO BECOME SUCH A PERFECT WOMAN'S HUSBAND, WHAT CAN YOU OFFER HER?
MY GIRL HAS EVE-RYTHING.
UNTIL SHE IS AS PERFECT AS THE NATIONAL CHIEF'S DAUGHTER SHOULD BE!!
WHAT WILL YOU DO, HINAHOHO?
EVERYTHING DEPENDS ON YOUR ANSWER.

I CAN OFFER HER NOTHING.

PERSO-NALLY ...
FOR NOW, I...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I'LL CHOP YOUR HEAD OFF THIS VERY SECOND!!
HOW DARE YOU BE SO CRASS IN FRONT OF THE LEADER OF THIS FEDERATION!!

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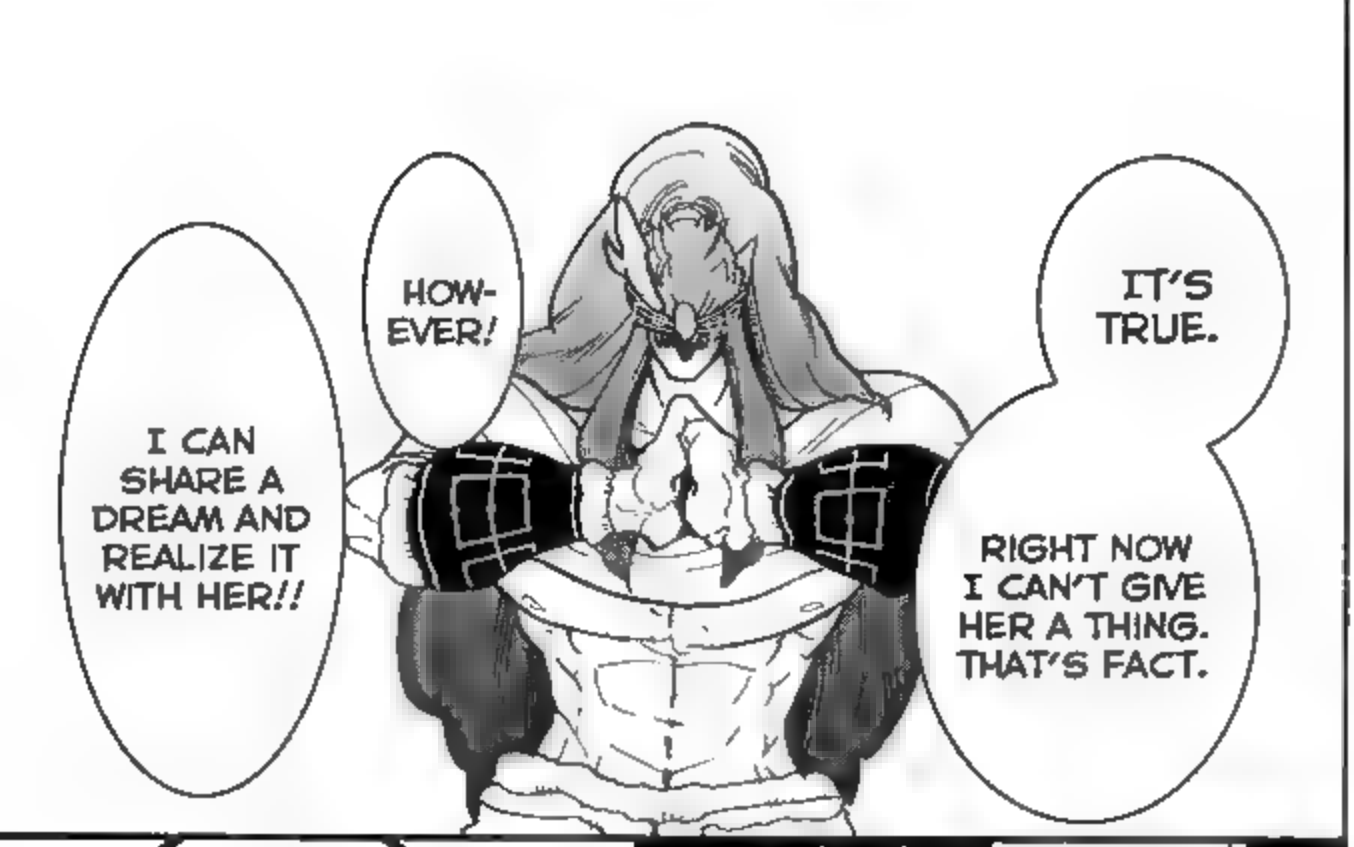
HUH?


I CAN SHARE A DREAM AND REALIZE IT WITH HER!!
HOW-EVER!
IT'S TRUE.
RIGHT NOW I CAN'T GIVE HER A THING. THAT'S FACT.

MY LORD'S DREAM!!

WHO CONQUERED THE DUNGEON THAT APPEARED IN IMUCHAKK, AS WELL AS ONE IN A FOREIGN COUNTRY CALLED PARTHEVIA.
HE IS THE LORD I SERVE!
THIS IS SINBAD,
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BY CHALLENGING A DUNGEON WITH HIM, I HAVE WITNESSED THIS POWER AND HIS ABILITY AS A KING VESSEL WITH MY OWN TWO EYES.
YES. THE CONQUEROR WILL OBTAIN THE POWER OF A DJINN. IN HIS HOMELAND, THAT POWER WAS ENOUGH TO ROUT AN ENTIRE MILITARY COMPANY.
A BOY LIKE THIS IS THE CONQUEROR?
A NEW WORLD WHICH WILL BRING TOGETHER WARRING NATIONS, LEADING THEM TO ACKNOWLEDGE ONE ANOTHER AND BRING ABOUT PEACE.
MY LORD'S DREAM IS TO BUILD A COUNTRY,
LIKE OUR ANCESTORS?
MY LORD WISHES TO SPREAD THIS IDEAL OUT INTO THE WORLD. AND I BELIEVE HE HAS THE SKILLS NEEDED TO DO IT!
THAT'S RIGHT. JUST LIKE HOW OUR ANCESTORS ESTABLISHED THE FEDERATION OF IMUCHAKK.

FOR EVERYONE IN THE WORLD TO UNDERSTAND EACH OTHER AND SHARE THEIR THOUGHTS LIKE EQUALS... IT'S JUST NOT POSSIBLE!!
STOP JOKING. THAT'S IM-POSSIBLE.
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DON'T BE RID-CULOUS!
YET YOU'RE TRYING TO DO THE SAME WITH THE WORLD, WITH DIFFE-RENT CULTU-RES AND RACES?
IT CAN ONLY BE REALIZED BECAUSE WE'RE A TRIBE WITH A SMALL POPULATION.
OUR ANCESTORS AIMED FOR BECOMING A FEDERATION TO PREVENT IMUCHAKK FROM PERI-SHING DUE TO INTERNAL CONFLICTS...

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IS THAT TRUE?
NOT TO MENTION BECOMING A KING OF A COUNTRY!
THIS NAIVE IDEA OF COEXISTENCE WILL SURELY LEAD YOU TO DESTRUCTION.

AREN'T WE ONLY REACHING AN IMPASSE SINCE YOU'RE STRIVING FOR PERFECTION?
CAN'T SHARE THOUGHTS?
CAN'T UNDERSTAND EACH OTHER?
WHAT?

AND ONLY SEEING THINGS AS "BLACK" OR "WHITE" WITH SUCH OVERLY SIMPLIFIED THINKING... ISN'T THAT A SIN AS WELL?
戦争に協力しない「非国民」が!!
HOWEVER, BEING BLISSFULLY UNAWARE OF THIS,
RELYING ON WHATEVER SOMEONE PROVIDED WITHOUT THINKING,
IT'S IMPOSSIBLE TO SHARE EVERYTHING.
NO ONE CAN BECOME SOMEONE ELSE. IT'S NATURAL TO ENVY SOMEONE WHO'S MORE WEALTHY OR WHO HAS HIGHER STANDING. THAT'S HOW CONFLICTS BEGIN.

SOMEONE "GREY", SOMEONE BETWEEN "BLACK" AND "WHITE", IS ESSENTIAL.
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PEOPLE NEED TO THINK FOR THEMSELVES. FOR THIS REASON,

EVERYONE CAN LEARN, SHARE, AND DECIDE WITH THEIR OWN STRENGTH.
I WILL NOT GLOSS OVER THE FLAWS IN MY IDEALS. IT'S NOT POSSIBLE FOR ALL OF MANKIND TO SHARE THE SAME KIND OF THOUGHTS.
A WORLD BUILT UPON AN UNDER-STANDING OF THAT. IF THIS IS A "DREAM",
HOWEVER, EVERYONE IS CAPABLE OF THOUGHT.
WHO WILL?
IF I DON'T REALIZE IT,

HA HA HA HA!
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GO FOR IT. I GIVE MY DAUGHTER TO YOU IN MARRIAGE.
VERY WELL.

YOU'RE OFFERING MY DAUGHTER THIS BOY'S DREAM?
WARRIOR HINAHOHO.
Y-YES!

YES!
RURUMU, ARE YOU FINE WITH IT?

YOU SHOWED YOUR METTLE TODAY. I HAVE A FEELING THAT YOU CAN ACCOMPLISH ANYTHING.

YOUR COURAGE, HONESTY, AND CONFIDENCE...

BOY, YOU SURE ARE INTERESTING.

THANK YOU. WHAT I WISH TO ASK OF CHIEF RAMETOTO, THE NATIONAL CHIEF IS...

WHAT IS IT? SPIT IT OUT.

BUT, THERE'S ONE MORE THING I WISH TO ASK OF YOU.

THANK YOU.

DUE TO THAT, I BELIEVE YOU'RE CAPABLE OF REALIZING YOUR BOLD DREAM.

A MONOPOLY ON COMMERCE WITH IMUCHAKK?

WOULD YOU GRANT ME

WHAT DO YOU WANT WITH THAT RIGHT? THERE MUST BE A REASON, RIGHT?
B-BUT .
IT'S FINE. LET HIM CONTINUE.
HOW RUDE TO MAKE DIPLOMATIC NEGOTIATIONS DIRECTLY WITH THE CHIEF!! CHIEF, ALLOW US ..
WHAT IN THE WORLD... SUCH INSOLENCE!
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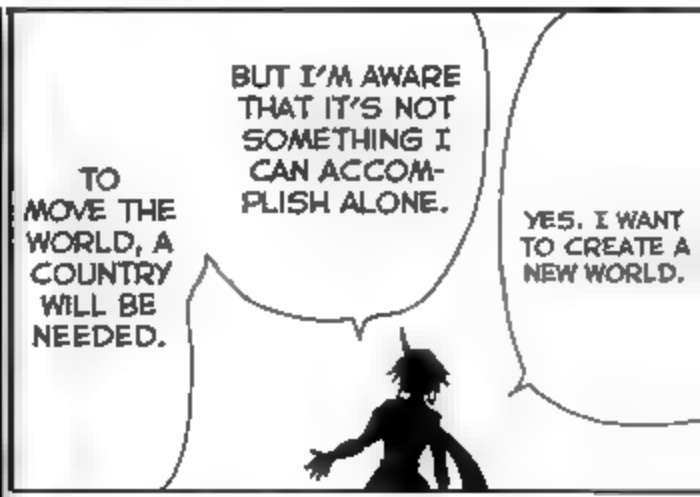
I NEED TO BUILD A COUNTRY BEFORE I CAN EVEN START ON NEGOTIATIONS.
WITH THAT IN MIND, I'VE BEGUN THE NECESSARY PREPARATIONS, LIKE...


TO MOVE THE WORLD, A COUNTRY WILL BE NEEDED.
BUT I'M AWARE THAT IT'S NOT SOMETHING I CAN ACCOMPLISH ALONE.
YES. I WANT TO CREATE A NEW WORLD.

THAT'S RIGHT. DIPLOMATIC NEGOTIATIONS ARE ONLY POSSIBLE ON EQUAL FOOTING.
YEP. NO MATTER HOW HARD YOU TRY, ONE BOY CAN'T CHANGE THE WORLD.

THIS.
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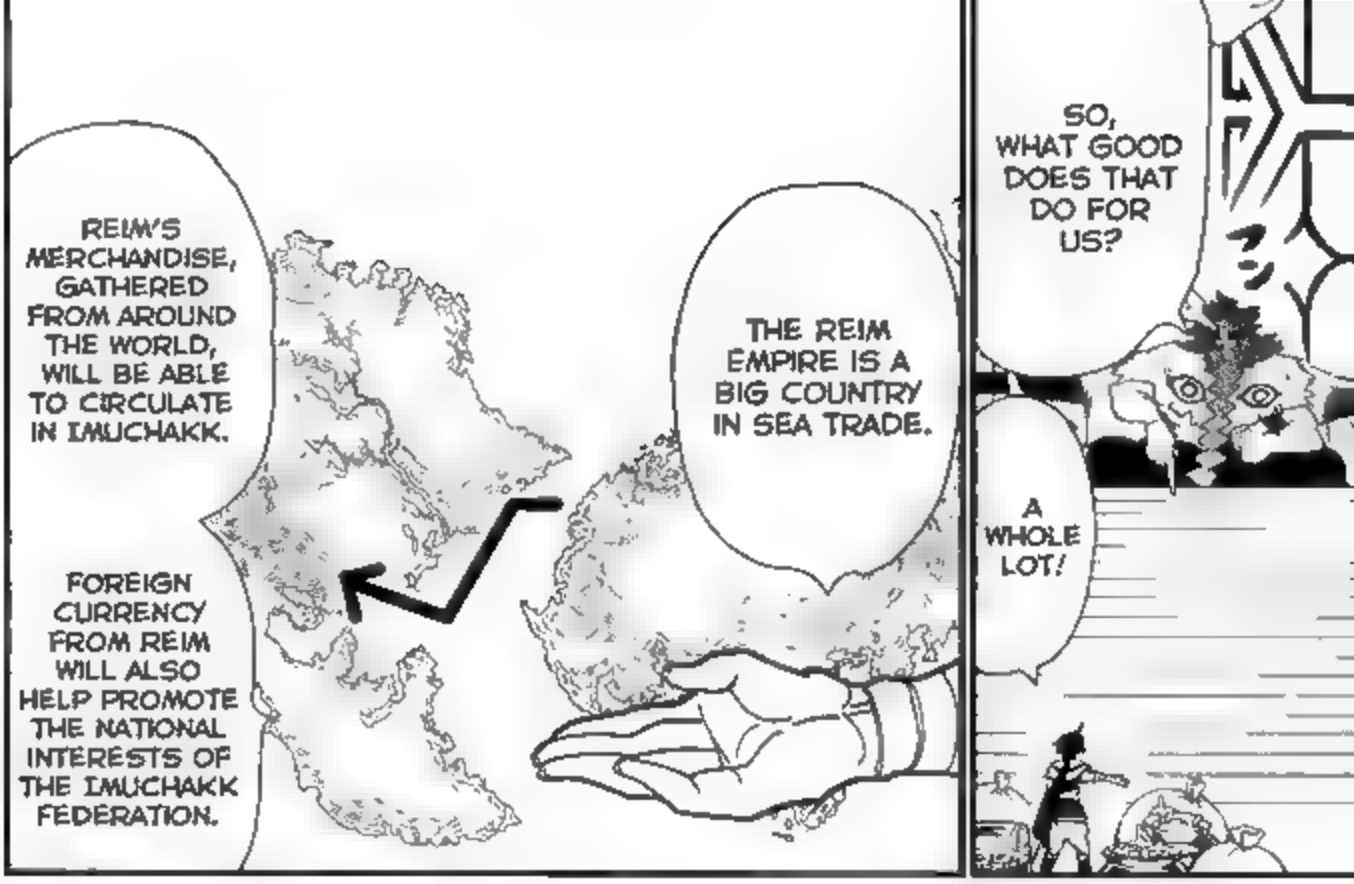
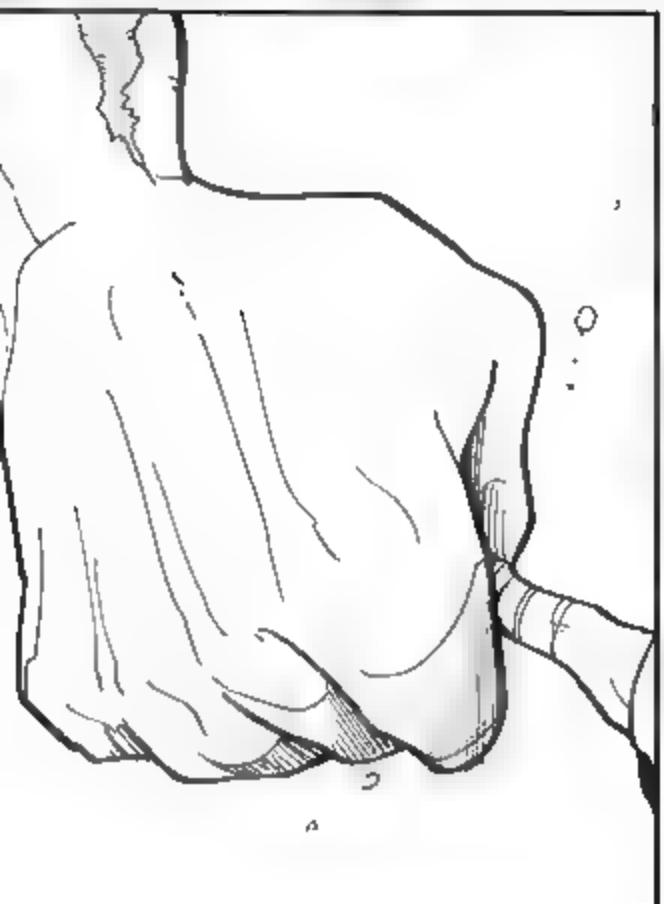
SIN, WE BROUGHT THEM ALL.
I WANT IMUCHAKK TO BE THE FIRST COUNTRY I TRADE WITH!
GATHERING THE MASSIVE AMOUNT OF FUNDS NEEDED FOR FOUNDING A COUNTRY! FINANCED BY THESE TREASURES, I'LL ESTABLISH A TRADE FLEET!
WHAT DID YOU SAY?
WHAT...


REIM'S MERCHANDISE, GATHERED FROM AROUND THE WORLD, WILL BE ABLE TO CIRCULATE IN IMUCHAKK.
FOREIGN CURRENCY FROM REIM WILL ALSO HELP PROMOTE THE NATIONAL INTERESTS OF THE IMUCHAKK FEDERATION.
THE REIM EMPIRE IS A BIG COUNTRY IN SEA TRADE.
SO, WHAT GOOD DOES THAT DO FOR US?
A WHOLE LOT!

WHAT DO YOU THINK? IT DOESN'T SOUND SO BAD, DOES IT?
WE'LL MAKE SELECTION OF ARTICLES FOR REGULAR TRADE, BUT IF YOU HAVE SPECIFIC REQUESTS, WE CAN MAKE INDIVIDUAL CONTRACTS FOR THOSE ITEMS AS WELL.
OF COURSE, WE'LL HANDLE THE FREIGHTING. I WAS A FISHERMAN, AND I ALSO ESCORT MERCHANT'S SHIPS WHEN I'M OTHERWISE UNOCCUPIED. I'M QUITE EXPERIENCED.

EVERYONE CAN THINK. RIGHT NOW WE ARE CONSIDERING WHAT WE STAND TO GAIN OR LOSE, AND SHARING OUR THOUGHTS.
OF COURSE NOT.
THAT'S IT?

CHIEF!

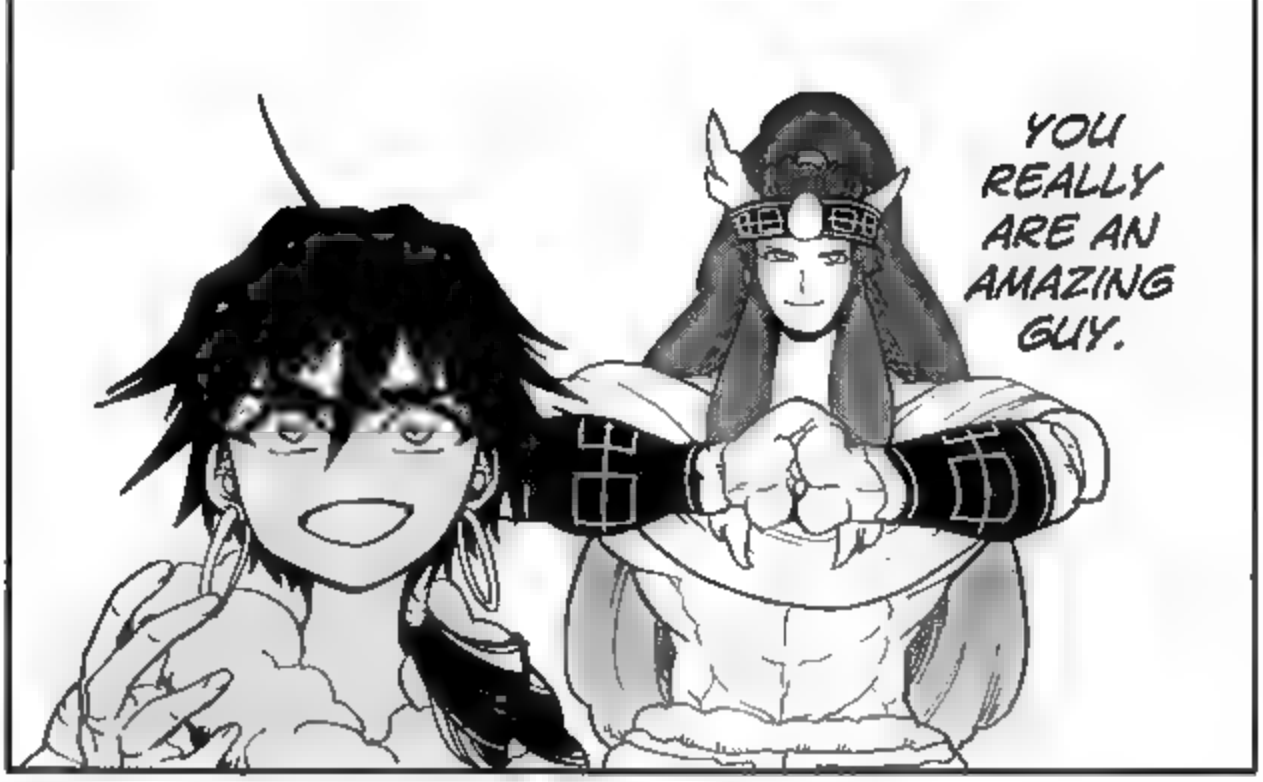


BE IT UNDER-STANDING EACH OTHER OR REACHING AN AGREEMENT ON SOME-THING,
THE CUE CAN BE ANYTHING.
ONCE THIS CONTRACT IS CONCLUDED, I... OR TO BE EXACT, WE...
WILL BE ONE STEP CLOSER TO REACHING THAT DREAM!

YOU SURE ARE CHEEKY, BOY.
I'M REALLY GRATEFUL THAT I MET SUCH AN UNDERSTANDING CHIEF.

THANK YOU.

SINBAD... SO YOU ASKED TO PARTICIPATE IN OUR AUDIENCE, WITH THAT IN MIND.


YOU REALLY ARE AN AMAZING GUY.

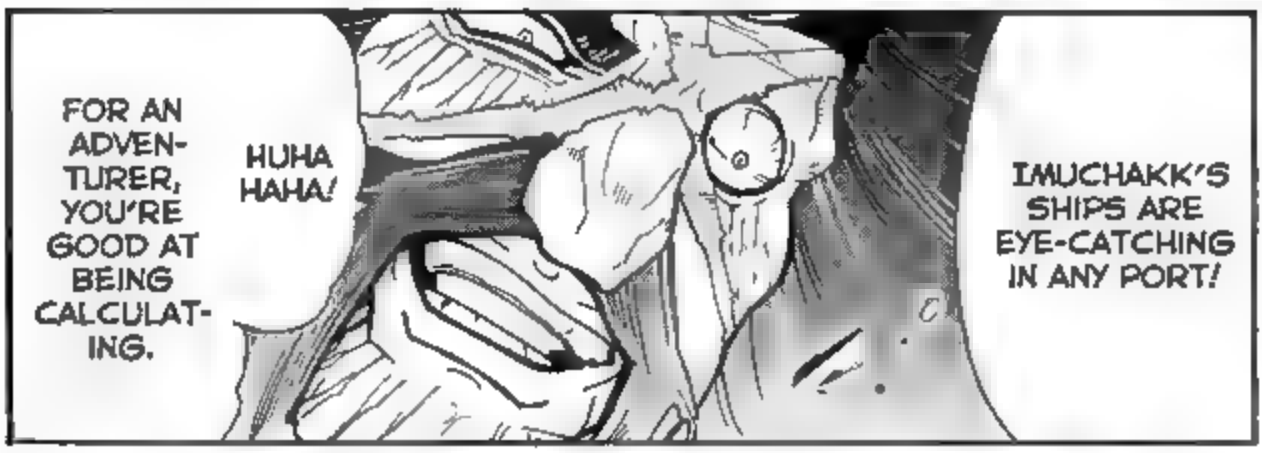
AS I WOULD EXPECT FROM MY HUSBAND,
TO PLACE HIS CONFIDENCE IN SUCH A LORD.
I'M PRAISING YOU, HINAHOHO, FOR YOUR JUDGMENT.

AS EXPECTED FROM SINBAD...

YEP. I'M NO MATCH FOR HIM.
HUH? YOU MISUNDERSTOOD.

I SEE.

IT WOULD BE POINTLESS TO USE THE SAME SHIPS AS ANOTHER TRADE FLEET, RIGHT? FOR THIS HARD-EARNED MONOPOLY, SHOWCASING ITS UNIQUENESS IS ESSENTIAL.
I WANT CARGO SHIPS MADE BY IMUCHAKK.
ALRIGHT. LASTLY, YOU WANT A SHIP, YOU SAY?
THAT'S RIGHT.


FOR AN ADVENTURER, YOU'RE GOOD AT BEING CALCULATING.
HUHA HAHA!
IMUCHAKK'S SHIPS ARE EYE-CATCHING IN ANY PORT!

I'LL BE AN ADVENTURER AND A MERCHANT FROM NOW ON.
OF COURSE!

His trade fleet crossed many seas and roamed the world, and were later known as

His name Sinbad was no longer associated with just an adventurer, but also became well-known as a merchant

After this conference, Sinbad and Imuchakk formally entered into a monopolistic trade agreement

"Sindria Trading Company" of the Seven Seas.

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I, Valefor, hereby acknowledge you as the King Vessel!

SPECIAL COMIC: DJINN

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Baal. dining.

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WHAT WILL HAPPEN FROM NOW ON? I CAN'T WAIT.

SINBAD, HUH. MY NEW LORD SURE IS AN INTERESTING PERSON.

Home sweet home! Inside my metal vessel.

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I'M GOING HOME! I'M LEAVING!

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Let me close the door please!

It's been a while, Valefor... What is it? Aren't you coming in?

Have you confused the metal vessels again?

CAN'T REFUSE. DUE TO THE CIRCUMSTANCES.

It's tea. Have some.

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For us to choose the same king, I believe it's fate, rather than coincidence.

Valefor, nothing is better than seeing you doing so well...

NO NO NO! NOT ONLY DO I HAVE TO SHARE THE NEW LORD WITH ANOTHER DJINN AND LESSEN THE EXCITEMENT... GEEZ. OF ALL DJINN, IT JUST HAD TO BE BAAL... THIS IS SO...

One hour to go.

I encouraged you to go on a diet because you overate my homemade dishes.

How is this?

I brushed you every week ..

We did a lot of things.

I'm so happy to meet you this way.

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It's been so long. Wanna play this?
HAS ALWAYS THOUGHT I WAS A CAT OR SOME-THING!
THAT'S RIGHT BAAL, SINCE WAY BACK,
I CAN'T TAKE IT ANYMORE! ON TOP OF BEING STRAIGHT-LACED AND OVERLY SERI-OUS, YOU DON'T CHANGE YOUR MIND! THAT'S WHAT I HATE ABOUT YOU, BAAL!
Valefor, you can use this as a scratch-ing post
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GIVE ME A BREAK! I'M NOT A CAT! I'M A WOLF!
Here boy! Here, Valefor!
BACK TO CH 28.
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WHAT WAS THAT?
A DRE-AM?
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PLEASED TO MAKE YOUR ACQUAINTANCE. I AM CALLED "JA'FAR", A TRADER AS WELL.
IT WOULD BE OUR PLEASURE IF YOU FIND OUR MERCHANDISE SUITABLE FOR YOUR STORE.
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LIKE HELL WILL I TALK THIS WAY! YOU HAG!
I'M GONNA PUKE!
LIK THIS? WHAT THE HECK?
HAG?
GYAAAAAAAH!
RURUMU CHOP!
YOU SHOULDN'T USE FOUL LANGUAGE LIKE THAT.
JA'FAR, HAVEN'T I TOLD YOU OVER AND OVER AGAIN?

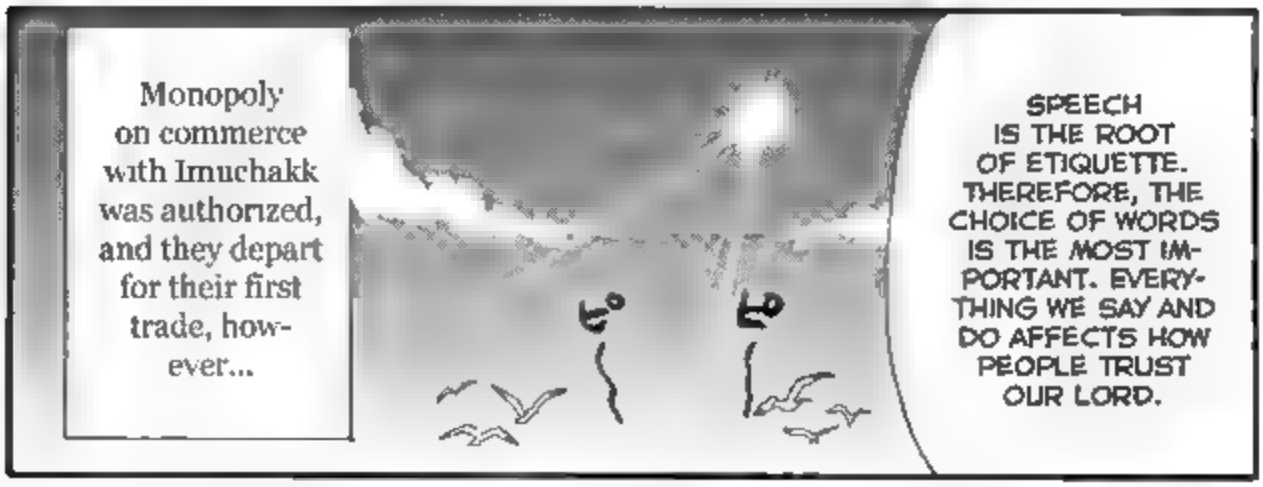
SINBAD IS OUR LORD. WE VASSALS SHOULD NEVER DO ANYTHING THAT STAINS THE LORD'S REPUTATION.

FROM NOW ON, WE ARE PART OF THE CREW OF LORD SINBAD'S FLEET. A FLEET CERTIFIED BY IMUCHAKK.

AM I MAKING MYSELF CLEAR?

PLEASE REFRAIN FROM USING INDECENT VOCABULARY.

ADDRESS A WOMAN SENIOR TO YOU AS MA'AM OR MISTRESS.



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The voyage began with a great stumble.

MY BRAIN IS FRIED.

ARE YOU TWO ALIVE?
CHIEF. I MEAN JA'FAR, HANG IN THERE.
YEP YEP.
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EVERYONE, LUNCH IS READY~
BE-SIDES ...
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RURUMU IS PLAYING THE ROLE OF A STRICT MENTOR FOR YOUR SAKE. HOLD OUT A LITTLE LONGER!

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This reminds me of my mother's cooking.
But it's good. It's too good.
OUR STOMACH IS TELLING US, DON'T EVER DISOBEY THIS WOMAN!
ME TOO!
I WANT A REFILL!
RURUMU, THE MOST TALENTED WOMAN OF IMUCHAKK, CAN HANDLE ALL HOUSEWORK PERFECTLY.
THOSE LOOK SO TASTY!
MAKE ANY NOISE AND WE'LL GET CHOPPED AGAIN.
LET'S WORK ON TABLE MANNERS.
Afternoon classes.
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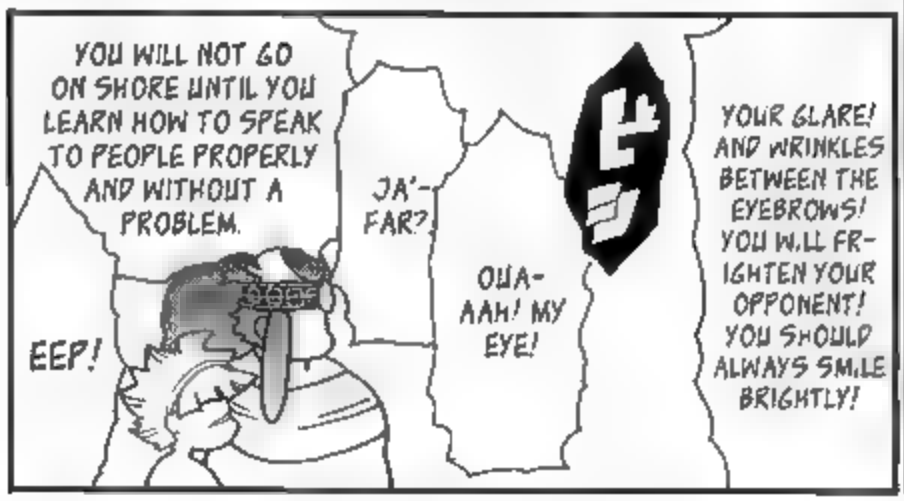
JA'FAR SURE CHANGED A LOT.
Numbers are surprisingly fun!
Umm...
I AGREE. I'VE NEVER SEEN HIM LIKE THIS.
ARE YOU FREE?
NEED HELP UNFURLING THE SAIL?
YES. MAHAD TOOK OVER STEERING.

GYA-AA!
HOLD IT! DON'T SIT WITH YOUR LEGS SPREAD APART! THAT'S ILL-MANNERED!

RURUMU WOULD BE FURIOUS IF HE FINDS OUT.
DON'T WORRY
THEN HOW ABOUT SECRETLY BORROWING SOME CELEBRATORY DRINK FROM THE CARGO?

THANKS TO SIN
AND EVERYONE.

What is this?


YOU WILL NOT GO ON SHORE UNTIL YOU LEARN HOW TO SPEAK TO PEOPLE PROPERLY AND WITHOUT A PROBLEM.
EEP!
JA'-FAR?
OWA-AAH! MY EYE!
YOUR GLARE! AND WRINKLES BETWEEN THE EYEBROWS! YOU WILL FRIGHTEN YOUR OPPONENT! YOU SHOULD ALWAYS SMILE BRIGHTLY!

WELL, BACK TO WORK.

And then, one month later.

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IS REIM EMPIRE.
THIS ...

IT'S HARBOR CITY "NARPOLIA" IS THE LARGEST FINANCIAL CENTER OF THE EMPIRE, AND SECOND MOST IMPORTANT CITY, NEXT TO ITS CAPITAL "REMANO".
REIM EMPIRE, A POWERFUL COUNTRY WITH THE LARGEST TERRITORY AND PROVINCES IN THE WORLD.
IT'S ECONOMIC EFFECT EVEN EXCEEDS THE MARITIME STATE BALBAAD, MAKING IT THE CORE CITY OF WORLD ECONOMICS.
AMAZING!

(Note: From ch3 pt1)

COME HAVE A LOOK! DON'T MISS IT!

NOW IS THE ONLY CHANCE TO GET THEM!

WE GOT LOTS OF RARITIES DIRECTLY IMPORTED FROM THE MYSTERIOUS LANDS OF IMUCHAKK!

OF COURSE

IS THIS GENUINE?

I'VE NEVER SEEN HANDWORK LIKE THIS BEFORE.

OH MY!

WHAT'S THIS?

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IMUCHAKK? THOSE UNCIVILIZED BARBARIANS?

WHAT? WHAT?

Wow!

Hmm...

HERE IS THE CERTIFICATE.

WE ARE THE FIRST IN THE WORLD TO BE AUTHORIZED WITH MONOPOLY ON COMMERCE WITH IMUCHAKK.

AUTHENTIC IMUCHAKK PRODUCT.

TA-DA!

talking fluently

YOU WON'T REGRET IT. THIS IS MY PROMISE TO YOU.
PLEASE PUT YOUR MIND AT EASE, MISS.

I'M BUYING THIS!
NO, I WAS HERE FIRST!
I AM!
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THANK YOU-
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GIMME THIS PLEASE?
I'LL TAKE THIS!
THIS ONE PLE-ASE!
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WELL, WELL.

SO THIS ISN'T FAKE... I SUPPOSE.
THE MER-CHANDISE IS GENUINE,

AN INTER-ESTING GROUP.
ACCOMPA-NIED BY AN IMUCHAKK?
A BOY OF AN AMIABLE DISPOSITION, AND HAS THE MAKING OF ATTRACTING PEOPLE,
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HOW-EVER ...
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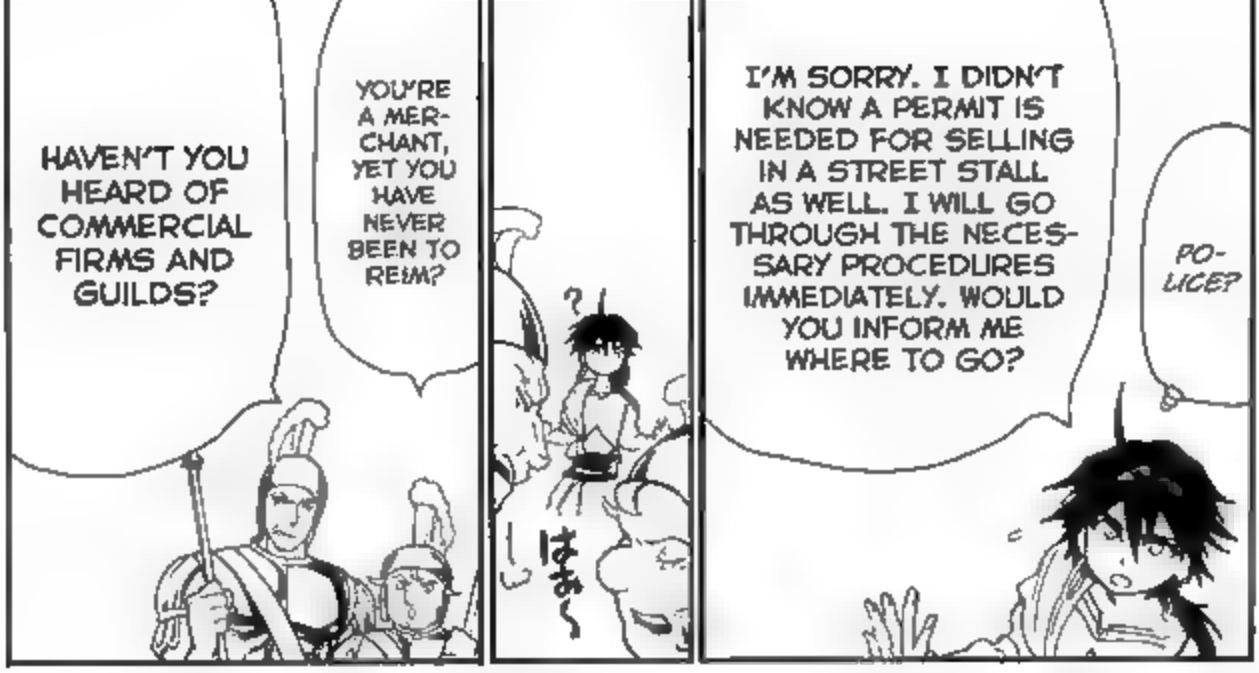
HOLD IT!
YOU THERE! WHO GAVE YOU PER-MISSION TO DO BUSINESS HERE?


HAVEN'T YOU HEARD OF COMMERCIAL FIRMS AND GUILDS?
YOU'RE A MERCHANT, YET YOU HAVE NEVER BEEN TO REIM?
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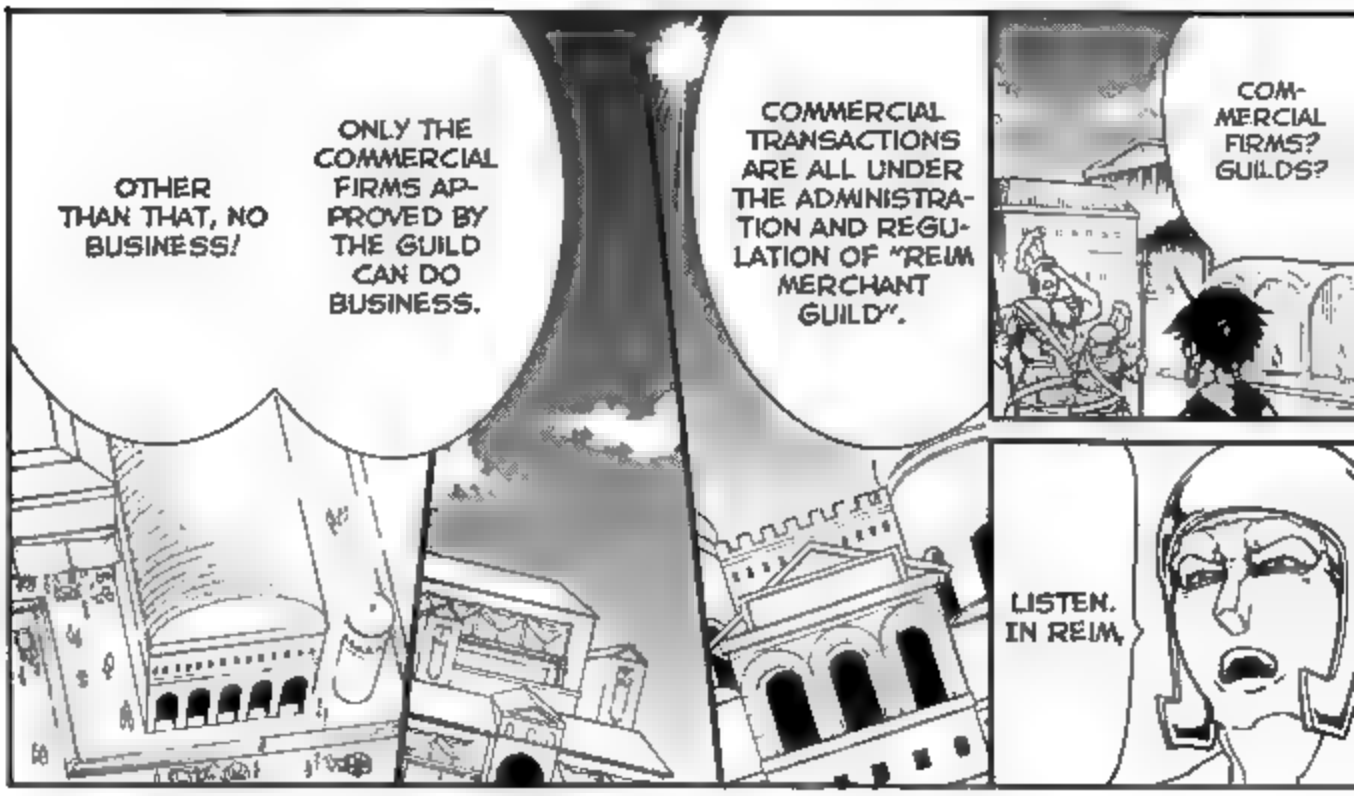
I'M SORRY. I DIDN'T KNOW A PERMIT IS NEEDED FOR SELLING IN A STREET STALL AS WELL. I WILL GO THROUGH THE NECESSARY PROCEDURES IMMEDIATELY. WOULD YOU INFORM ME WHERE TO GO?
PO-LICE?


OTHER THAN THAT, NO BUSINESS!
ONLY THE COMMERCIAL FIRMS APPROVED BY THE GUILD CAN DO BUSINESS.
COMMERCIAL TRANSACTIONS ARE ALL UNDER THE ADMINISTRATION AND REGULATION OF "REIM MERCHANT GUILD".
COM-MERCIAL FIRMS? GUILDS?
LISTEN. IN REIM,

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YOU TOO, LADIES. PARTY IS OVER.
BUYING AND SELLING WITHOUT PERMISSION IS A CRIME.
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GET IT? NOW GET OUT OF HERE!
SINCE YOU DON'T BELONG TO ANY FIRM, WHAT YOU'RE DOING IS ILLEGAL!

MERCHANT GUILDS AND FIRMS. SO THERE ARE STRUCTURES LIKE THIS... STUDYING OLD DOCUMENTS ISN'T ENOUGH.
YOU CAN'T SELL THESE? WHAT A PITY.
THEY ARE SUCH NOVELTY ...
HEY STORE-KEEPER! DO YOU HAVE A MINUTE?
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EH? BUT THE POLICE SAID IT'S ILLEGAL.
DON'T WORRY. MERCHANTS HAVE MANY WAYS TO GO AROUND.
WHAT DO YOU NEED?
IT'S A WASTE NOT TO SELL THESE FINE MERCHANDISES.
I'M ALSO A MERCHANT. HOW ABOUT SELLING ALL THESE TO ME?
YOU DIDN'T COME ALL THE WAY TO REIM TO SUFFER THIS LOSS, RIGHT?
HOW ABOUT LEAVING IT TO ME?
THEN HERE'S THE CONTRACT.
I'LL CALL MY MEN TO CARRY THESE. I'LL BE RIGHT BACK.
ALL RIGHT! THANKS.
WITHOUT HIM, ALL THE MERCHANDISE WOULD BECOME DEAD STOCK. THANK GOODNESS!
HIS BEING A MERCHANT MADE OUR TRANSACTION SMOOTHER.
OH! THE CASE, BY ALL MEANS.
IF THAT'S

THE CONTRACT IS DONE. IT'S A PLEASURE DOING BUSINESS WITH YOU.

WOW!

SO MUCH!?

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HERE IS THE PURCHASE MONEY. PLEASE COUNT THEM.

WE TOO NEED TO THANK YOUR HELP.

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TOO BAD. I THOUGHT THEY WERE AN INTERESTING GROUP. IT TURNED OUT THAT THEY'RE JUST A BUNCH OF AMATEURS.

THAT MERCHANT IS DOUBTLESSLY...

LOOK! SO MANY COINS!
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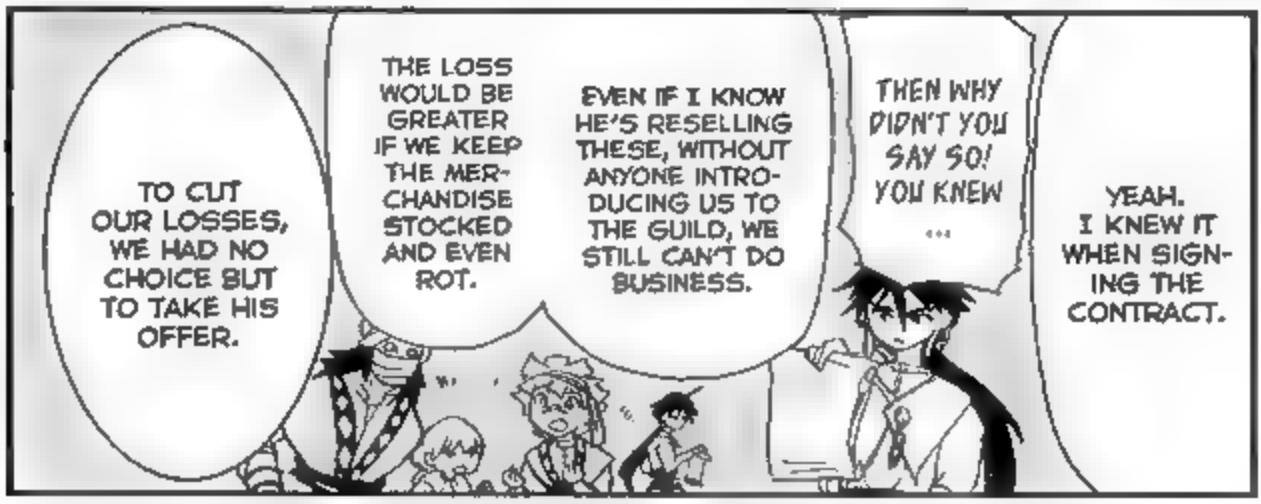
NO. THAT'S A FAILURE.
THAT'S A LARGE PROFIT. WHAT A BIG SUCCESS. THANKS THE THAT KIND MAN!
IT DOESN'T SHOW RIGHT AWAY...
Ja'far...
language...
WHAT'S TO FAIL?
WE AVOIDED MAKING EVERYTHING DEAD STOCK, AND EVEN EARNED SO MUCH MONEY.
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?
Spit it out!
WHAT THE ...

OUR MER-CHAN-DISE ...
WHAT IS GO-ING ON?
IN SOME-ONE ELSE'S SHOP...
IS BEING SOLD
AND SOLD AT THE PRICE 5 TIMES... NO, 10 TIMES THE PRICE HE PAID US.
SOMEHOW, OUR MER-CHANDISE IS BEING SOLD IN SHOPS IN THIS AREA.

ISN'T THIS FRAUD?
HE SAID HE HAD WAYS TO GO AROUND. BUT HE'S SIMPLY RE-SELLING THESE!
WE'VE BEEN CHEA-TED!

JUST BY RESELLING ALL THE MERCHAN-DISE, HE GETS THE PROFIT.
LOOKING FOR PREYS LIKE US, WHO CAN'T DO BUSINESS LE-GALLY.
I'M AFRAID HE'S A MER-CHANT MAK-ING EASY MONEY BY RESELLING,
DID YOU NOTICE THIS AL-READY?
SIN ...


TO CUT OUR LOSSES, WE HAD NO CHOICE BUT TO TAKE HIS OFFER.
THE LOSS WOULD BE GREATER IF WE KEEP THE MER-CHANDISE STOCKED AND EVEN ROT.
EVEN IF I KNOW HE'S RESELLING THESE, WITHOUT ANYONE INTRO-DUCING US TO THE GUILD, WE STILL CAN'T DO BUSINESS.
THEN WHY DIDN'T YOU SAY SO! YOU KNEW ...
YEAH. I KNEW IT WHEN SIGN-ING THE CONTRACT.

HOW VEXING... IT'S BECAUSE WE DIDN'T KNOW.
LIVING IN A BIG CITY REALLY ISN'T THAT SIMPLE.
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SADLY, NOW WE CAN'T MAKE A LARGE PROFIT HERE... IF WE KEEP MAKING PROFITS SO SMALL, TO SAVE UP FUNDS FOR BUILDING A COUNTRY WOULD END UP LIKE NOTHING BUT FANTASY.

NAH. IT'S JUST THAT WE UNDERESTIMATED DOING BUSINESS. WE NEVER HAD EXPERIENCES LIKE THIS BACK IN THE ORGANIZATION EITHER...
WHAT'S WRONG, EVERYONE?
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THAT'S THE INTERESTING PART, SEE?
WHAT'S WITH THE LONG FACES?
I ALSO LEARNED BUSINESS ONLY FROM DESKWORK. SO THIS IS FIELDWORK.
THAT'S RIGHT.
WE'RE TOTALLY AMATEURS.

DON'T YOU FEEL LIKE THEY'RE THE MOST POWERFUL BEINGS IN THIS WORLD?
POWERFUL, AREN'T THEY?
THAT'S WHY.
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT? WE GOT CHEATED!
JA'FAR, YOU DON'T GET IT

MERCHANTS! IN A WAY WE COULD SAY MERCHANTS MAKE THE WORLD MOVE.
WHO STANDS AT THE VERY FRONT, DISCERNS THE TREND OF THE SOCIETY, AND CALCULATES WITHOUT RESTING?
THE WORLD MOVES BECAUSE OF MONEY. AND MONEY IS MOVED BY MERCHANTS.

ISN'T THIS FUN?
WE'RE COMPETING AGAINST POWERFUL OPPONENTS LIKE THIS!

BUT AS WE GET TO LEARN MORE,
WE DIDN'T KNOW HOW TO DO BUSI-NESS.

DON'T YOU THINK SO?
DOING BUSINESS WOULD BE MORE AND MORE INTER-ESTING!

SOMETIMES I DON'T GET YOUR THINKING.
BUT IF THE LORD SAYS SO, WE HAVE NO CHOICE BUT TO FOLLOW.
SINBAD, IS THIS REALLY ALRIGHT?
I WILL STAY HERE AND LOOK FOR A WAY OUT.
HINAHOHO AND THE OTHERS WILL RUSH BACK TO IMUCHAKK TO STOCK NEW MERCHANDISE.
YES.

WHAT I LOST WERE MERCHANDISE FROM IMUCHAKK WHICH EVERYONE WENT THROUGH THE HARDSHIP TO CARRY HERE. I'LL MAKE UP FOR IT.
SINBAD ...
IT'S OKAY. I'LL COME UP WITH SOMETHING! I SIGNED THE CONTRACT WITH THAT RESELLER. SO THE RESPONSIBILITY IS ON ME.
A WAY OUT? WHAT EXACTLY DO YOU HAVE IN MIND?
ALL BY YOURSELF?
IT TAKES MONTHS FOR YOU TO COME BACK HERE, RIGHT? DURING THIS TIME I'LL LOOK INTO THIS GUILD AND FIRM BUSINESS.
JA'FAR. YOU CAN'T.
LUCKY BASTARD. I WANNA STAY TOO.
NO! I DON'T WANNA!
TIME TO STUDY STRAIGHTEN IT UP.
TO BEGIN WITH, WHAT'S WITH YOUR LANGUAGE TODAY?
WE HAVE MUCH TO LEARN.
WE HAVE DISGRACED OUR LORD.
OF COURSE, I'LL STUDY TOO.
I SEE.
WE'LL LEAVE EVERYTHING TO YOU.

I HAVE MUCH TO LEARN.

THAT'S RIGHT.

AND TRADING AND BUSINESS AS WELL.

THE PEOPLE LIVING IN IT,

THIS WORLD,

ABOUT THIS COUNTRY,

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AS FOR WHY,

IT'S BECAUSE I WILL BECOME KING!

I CAN'T BE STOPPED HERE.

THREE COPPER COINS.
ONE,
TWO,
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I GOTTA FIGURE OUT A WAY TO SURVIVE WITH JUST THESE.
HUH?
SINCE I GAVE EVERYTHING ELSE TO HINAHOHO FOR RESTOCKING.
THAT'S ALL I HAVE RIGHT NOW ...
THAT'S STEALING, YOU KNOW!
YOU'VE GOT SOME NERVE TO TOUCH MY MERCHANDISE HERE!
HEY!

BASTARD! LET'S SEE HOW YOU CAN KEEP MOCKING ME AFTER I BREAK YOUR NOSE!
WHAT IS IT? IF MONEY CAN SOOTHE YOU, ALLOW ME. HOW MUCH?
I SAW A RARITY, AND CASUALLY PICKED IT UP FOR A BETTER LOOK. THAT'S ALL. YOU'RE MISTAKEN.
STEAL-ING?
ME?
WHAT'S THE A CHILD?
MIND YOUR OWN BUSINESS ...
WHAT WHADDAYA WANT?
EEK!
STOP IT.

I APOLOGIZE IN PLACE OF THIS MAN FOR TREATING YOUR MERCHANDISE CARELESSLY.
MERCHANDISE IS THE LIFELINE OF MERCHANTS.
TAKE THIS AS A TOKEN OF APOLOGY, EVEN THOUGH IT'S NOT MUCH.
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WITH ALL MY HEART.
AS LONG AS YOU UNDERSTAND, THAT'S GOOD.
WHAT A TROUBLESOME OLD MAN.
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IF MONEY CAN SETTLE IT, I ALREADY SAID I'LL PAY... YOU GET EXCITED TOO EASILY.
BETTER BE CAREFUL...
ARE YOU ALRIGHT?
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THAT REMINDS ME. I JUST GAVE AWAY ALL THE MONEY I HAD.
FUFU ...
WELL... I AM GOING THIS WAY. BYE.
WHAT'S THAT FOR?
THAT'S RIGHT. I MUST THANK YOU.
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THIS WAY, PLEASE. I'LL TREAT YOU TO A PLACE I FREQUENT.
A MER-CHANT OF BALBADD.
MY NAME IS "HARUN"
PLEASE SHOW ME AROUND WHEN I GO!
IT'LL BE MY PLEA-SURE!
THAT'S RIGHT. IF YOU'RE DOING BUS.NESS, DO COME AND VISIT SOMEDAY.
THE MARITIME NATION WITH THE SECOND LARGEST TRADE CENTER NEXT TO REIM, RIGHT?
BAL-BADD?

YES. ACTUALLY, I SAW YOU AND YOUR COMPANY EARLIER TODAY. YOU OPENED A STREET STALL IN THE CITY WITHOUT A PERMIT, AND GOT WARNED BY POLICE, RIGHT? THAT'S WHEN.

EH?

BUT I DID NOT EXPECT TO MEET YOU AGAIN IN SUCH A COMMOTION.

I HAVE COME FOR AN INSPECTION IN NARPOLIA TO EXPAND MY KNOWLEDGE IN TRADING.

IN SPITE OF HOSTING THE DEBUT OF IMUCHAKK'S MERCHANDISE IN THIS CITY, YOU LET SOMEONE ELSE TAKE THE INITIATIVE IN DECIDING THE MARKET PRICE, AND LOWERED THE WORTH OF YOUR MERCHANDISE.

BUT FALLING FOR THE RESELLER'S TRICK WAS A LET-DOWN. THAT WAS A BIG FAILURE.

YOU CAUGHT MY ATTENTION.

A YOUNGSTER SELLING FOREIGN RARITIES, ACCOMPANIED BY AN IMUCHAKK GIANT...

HE WAS THERE? WAIT. WHAT'S MORE IMPORTANT IS HE CONSIDERED SO MUCH JUST BY WATCHING THAT ONE SCENE.

A GREATER LOSS THAN YOU EXPECTED IT TO BE.

DO CONSIDER THIS

IF MY GUESS IS RIGHT...
I RECKON HE'S SOMEONE WITH MORE NOBLE STANDING.
HE'S NOT AN ORDINARY MERCHANT.
AND THE JEWELRY HE'S WEARING, I CAN TELL...
COME TO THINK OF IT, FROM THIS MAN'S SPEECH AND BEHAVIOR...
THERE'S SOMETHING BIG ABOUT THIS MAN!
I HAVE A FEELING
WHILE WE'RE AT IT,
COULD YOU ENLIGHTEN ME
ON HOW YOU NEGOTIATED WITH THE FAMOUS HERO RAMETOTO FOR THE PRIVILEGE TO TRADE WITH IMUCHAKK?

I SENT A DEMARCHE TO IMUCHAKK MULTIPLE TIMES, YET I'VE NEVER RECEIVED A REPLY. THAT'S WHY I ASKED.

WHAT IS IT?

THIS IS WHAT HE IS AFTER. HE EVEN KNOWS CHIEF RAMETOTO AS WELL.

HE FINALLY ASKED!

WOULD YOU HAVE HAD THE CHANCE TO ARRANGE THIS NEGOTIATION?

AND WHERE

WHEN

FOR A FOREIGNER, AND WHAT'S MORE, A YOUNGSTER,

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LORD SINBAD, PLEASE KEEP THIS IN MIND.

COURTESY AND CHOICE OF WORDS ARE ESSENTIAL IN NEGOTIATION. BUT WHAT'S MOST IMPORTANT...

YOU OVERESTIMATE ME.

IN THIS NEW REALM WHICH I AM INEXPERIENCED AND HAVE NO ONE TO LOOK FOR ASSISTANCE IN, IF...

I'D SHARE MINE AS WELL. THAT'S RIGHT ...

IF THERE IS A "FRIEND" WHO WOULD SHARE HIS KNOWLEDGE AND ASSISTANCE,

I WON'T SHOW MY CARDS SO EASILY. UNLESS...

HOWEVER IGNORANT I MAY SEEM TO BE,

ACTUALLY, EVEN THOUGH I HAVE THE PRIVILEGE TO TRADE WITH IMUCHAKK, I FAILED, AS YOU SAW TODAY.

INCLUDING EVERYTHING ABOUT IMUC-HAKK. HOW DOES THAT SOUND?
LET'S TALK ...

AS EXCHANGE, I WILL TELL YOU EVERYTHING I KNOW.
FOR ME, THERE'S MUCH TO LEARN.
HARUN, SIR, WHAT DO YOU THINK?
EVEN IF THERE'S HOSTILITY, PEOPLE CAN'T PUNCH A SMILING MAN IN THE FACE.
THE MOST IMPORTANT GESTURE IS "SMILING".
I KNOW NOTHING ABOUT THIS COUNTRY, ITS PEOPLE, ITS CULTURE, AND HOW BUSINESS IS DONE HERE.

USUALLY YOU WOULD GET REJECTED. DON'T YOU THINK SO?
FOR ME TO BEFRIEND A CHILD AT LEAST A DECADE YOUNGER THAN ME?
I'LL DECIDE DEPENDING ON HOW YOU DO.
LET'S TALK.
BUT
ARE YOU SAYING THAT YOU WANT ME TO BECOME YOUR "FRIEND"?

YOU'RE THAT DUNGEON CONQUEROR RUMORED ALL AROUND THE WORLD?

WHAT?

A KID LIKE YOU ...

I THOUGHT IT MUST HAVE BEEN A HEFTY MAN... TRULY SURPRISING.

YES!

HAHA. CAN'T BLAME YOU FOR THAT.

THIS POWER IS GIVEN ONLY TO THE CONQUEROR.

THANKS TO VALEFOR, THE DJINN OF ICE.

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IT'S FROZEN?

HERE IS EVIDENCE.

AND THEN? WHAT WAS THE DUNGEON LIKE?

HEARING THESE MADE MY HEART POUND WILDLY. I LOVE IT!

FENDING OFF A GIGANTIC DRAGON, AND EXPLORING AN ANCIENT TREASURY ...

HA HA HA! YOUR CONVERSATION IS MOST INTRIGUING!

ADVENTURING... EXPLORING THIS WIDE WORLD WITH YOUR OWN FEET...

TO ME, IT'S LIKE A DREAM. IT'S WHAT I YEARN FOR.

THAT SOLVED THE MYSTERY OF HOW YOU GOT RAMETOTO TO TALK TO YOU.

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COURT POETS? HOW?

THAT'S MUCH MORE INTERESTING THAN ANY STORY I'VE HEARD FROM COURT POETS. I'M IMPRESSED.

BUT I STILL DON'T UNDERSTAND.

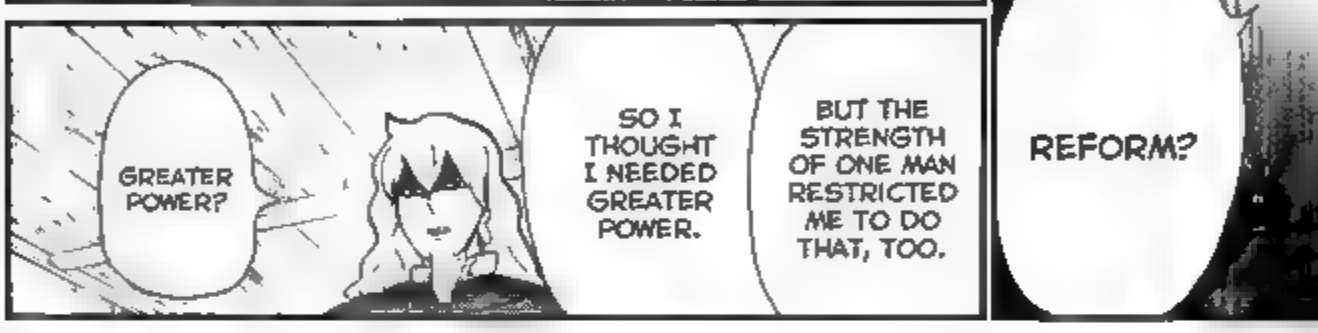
WHAT WAS THE NEED FOR A YOUNGSTER LIKE YOU TO RISK YOUR LIFE IN CHALLENGING DUNGEONS?

WHAT DO YOU WANT THAT POWER FOR?

THE WORLD.

TO REFORM

I CAN'T TOLERATE THIS INJUSTICE. AT FIRST, I WANTED TO SAVE MY FELLOW CITIZENS.
MY HOMELAND, PARTHEVIA, IS MAKING ITS PEOPLE SUFFER, AND IS ON THE PATH TO SELF-DESTRUCTION.
REFORM?


GREATER POWER?
SO I THOUGHT I NEEDED GREATER POWER.
BUT THE STRENGTH OF ONE MAN RESTRICTED ME TO DO THAT, TOO.

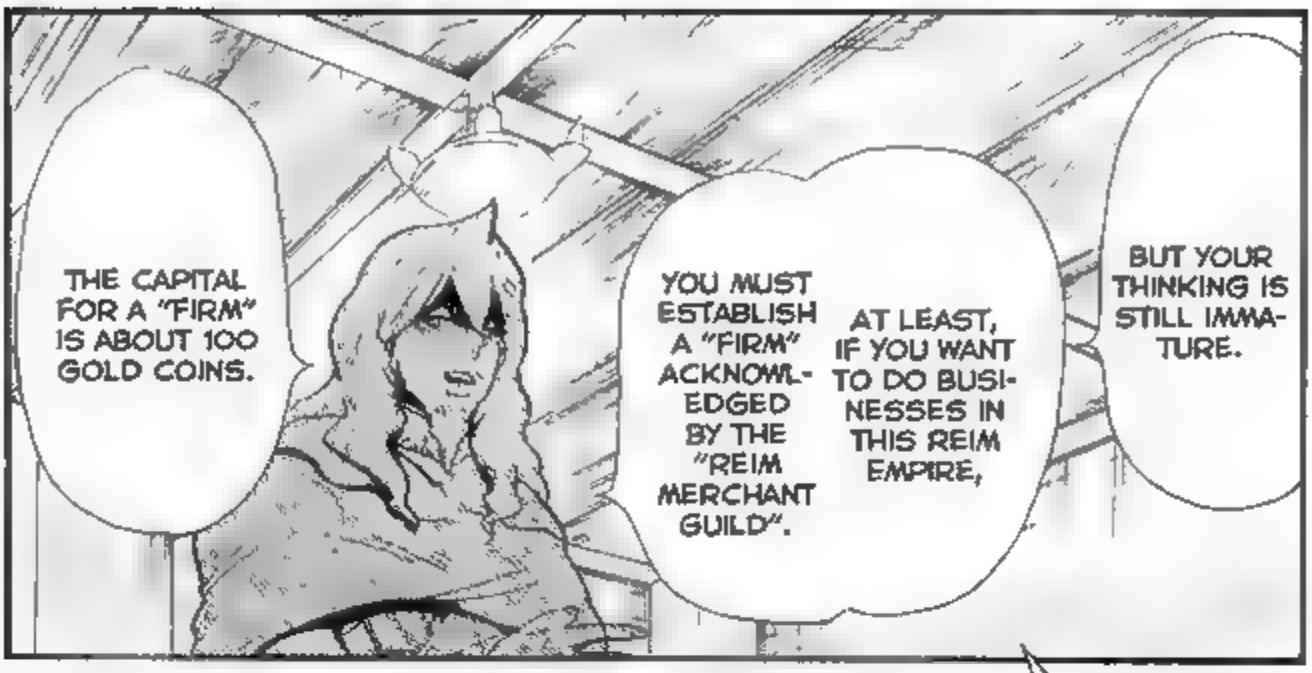
BUILD A COUNTRY LIKE THIS.
I MUST
WITH THE POWER TO REFORM AND MOVE THE WORLD.
A COUNTRY ...
I WILL BECOME KING.

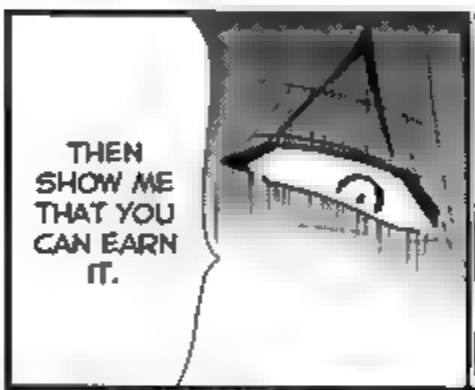
YOU WANT TO BECOME A KING TO REALIZE YOUR DREAM?
ARE YOU SAYING THAT...
TO OWN SUCH A TITLE GIVES YOU NOT ONLY POWER, BUT A BURDEN HEAVIER THAN YOU CAN IMAGINE.
COUNTRY?
KING?
CONSTANTLY THINKING ABOUT HIS CITIZENS AND THE WORLD... THAT CAN CRUSH AN ORDINARY MAN.

HARUN, SIR, WHO ARE YOU?
EVEN IF MY MIND CAN COMPREHEND, MY FEET WON'T STEP FORWARD.
I HAD ... NO CHOICE BUT TO RUN.
I... I JUST ...
OH! HERE YOU ARE!
WE WERE MOST TROUBLED BY YOUR LEAVING WITHOUT NOTICE.

KING RASHID,
THE 12TH KING OF BALBADD.

KING OF BALBADD?
HARUN, SIR, ARE YOU REALLY...?
SINBAD, OUR CONVERSATION WAS MOST INTRIGUING.

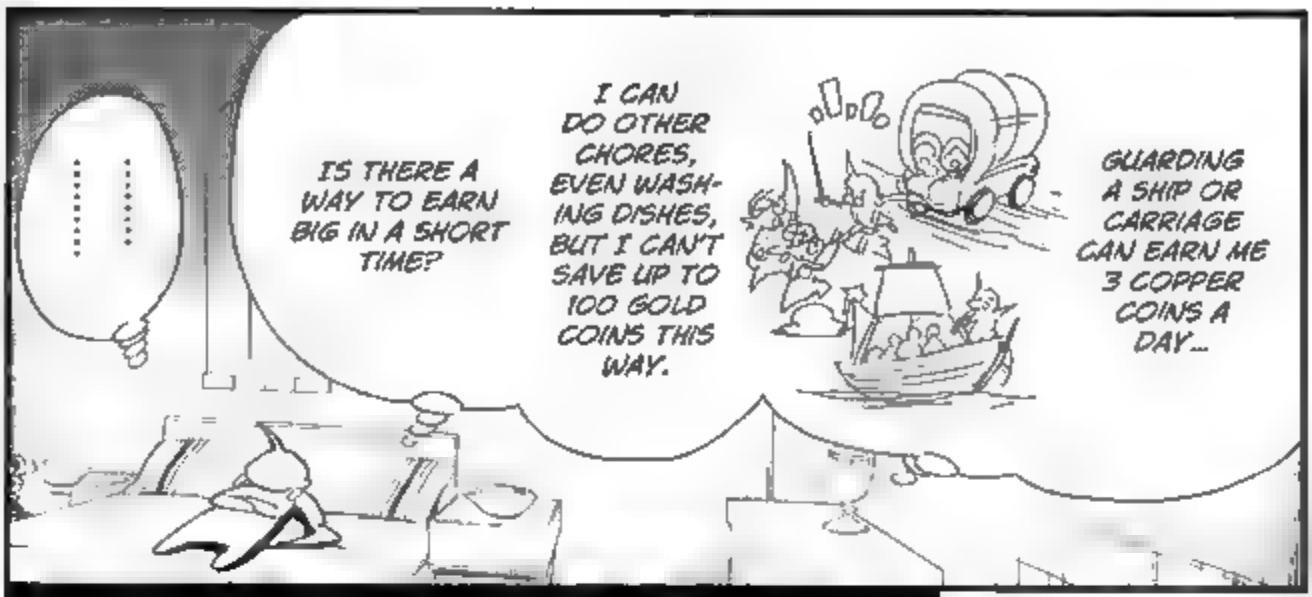

THE CAPITAL FOR A "FIRM" IS ABOUT 100 GOLD COINS.
YOU MUST ESTABLISH A "FIRM" ACKNOWLEDGED BY THE "REIM MERCHANT GUILD".
AT LEAST, IF YOU WANT TO DO BUSINESSES IN THIS REIM EMPIRE,
BUT YOUR THINKING IS STILL IMMATURE.


THEN SHOW ME THAT YOU CAN EARN IT.

IF YOU ARE SERIOUS ABOUT WHAT YOU SAID, AND WANT TO DO BUSINESS FOR THE FOUNDATION OF YOUR COUNTRY,
THAT'S NOT AN AMOUNT A COMMONER CAN EARN EASILY.

THIS IS IT!
SUNS
DEPENDING ON YOUR RESULTS, NOT ONLY WILL I WRITE A RECOMMENDATION LETTER TO THE MERCHANT GUILD, I MAY DO YOU A FAVOR, SINBAD.
I'M LEAVING FOR REMANO FOR DIPLOMATIC NEGOTIATIONS.
PLEASE EARN IT WITH YOUR OWN STRENGTH DURING THIS TIME.

I WILL MAKE GOOD USE OF THIS FLOW OF FATE!
BUT...
ALL BY MYSELF TOO ...
NOW THE PROBLEM IS, HOW TO EARN A HUNDRED GOLD COINS?
AND HE PICKED THIS BAR WITH AN INN UPSTAIRS. HE MUST HAVE MEANT FOR ME TO USE THIS AS MY BASE.
I KNEW HE MUST HAVE BEEN SOMEONE GRAND, BUT I NEVER THOUGHT HE WAS A KING.
AFTER HE HAS DONE SO MUCH, HOW CAN I NOT TRUST HIM?
Oh, honorable guest, your companion has already paid for all the living expenses during your stay
What?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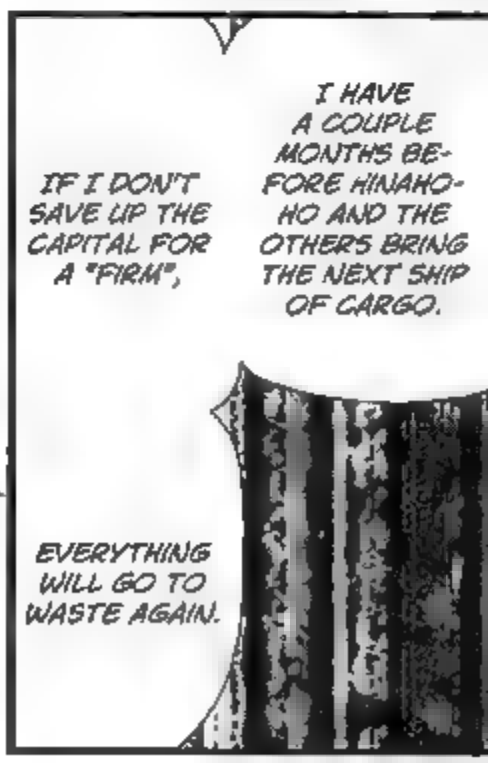
IS THERE A WAY TO EARN BIG IN A SHORT TIME?
I CAN DO OTHER CHORES, EVEN WASHING DISHES, BUT I CAN'T SAVE UP TO 100 GOLD COINS THIS WAY.
GUARDING A SHIP OR CARRIAGE CAN EARN ME 3 COPPER COINS A DAY...

IT'S JUST 100 GOLD COINS. THAT'S MUCH LESS THAN WHAT'S NEEDED FOR ESTABLISHING A COUNTRY.
THERE MUST BE SOMETHING I CAN DO!
SO THINK!

Chill, Sinbad


IF I DON'T SAVE UP THE CAPITAL FOR A "FIRM",
I HAVE A COUPLE MONTHS BEFORE HINAHOHO AND THE OTHERS BRING THE NEXT SHIP OF CARGO.
EVERYTHING WILL GO TO WASTE AGAIN.

GASHAA!
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W-WHAT? OH. IT'S JUST THE SWORD FALLING OVER.
THIS SWORD IS THE KEEP-SAKE FROM MY FATHER...
AND THE MEMENTO MY MOTHER ENTRUSTED TO ME.
IT'S ALWAYS BY MY SIDE EVER SINCE I LEFT TISON VILLAGE.
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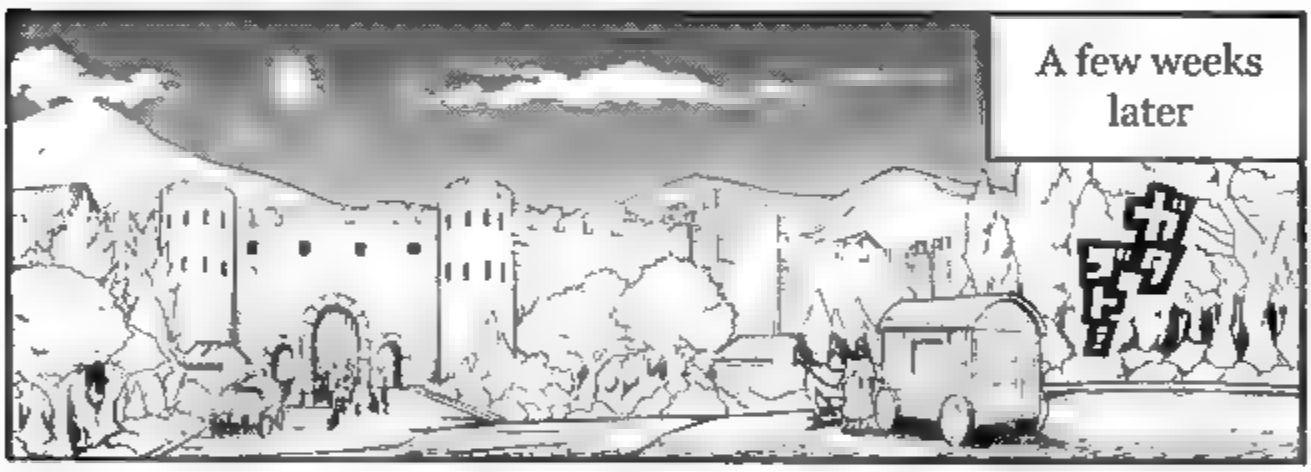
HAHA. LOOKING CLOSELY, IT SURE GOT A LOT OF SCARS.
THAT'S RIGHT
IT SAVED MY LIFE IN CONQUERING BAAL'S DUN-GEON AND VALEFOR'S AS WELL...
WHAT WOULD I DO WITH-OUT IT?

THAT'S IT! HOW COME I DIDN'T THINK OF IT EARLIER?
IT'S LIKE A DREAM, WHAT I YEARN FOR.
OUR CONVERSATION WAS MOST INTRIGUING!
I AM NO LONGER A CHILD WHO SPENT ALL HIS LIFE IN TISON VILLAGE!
I CAN READ AND WRITE. I'VE LEARNED ETIQUETTE.
I BECAME A DUNGEON CONQUEROR. I'VE HAD MANY ADVENTURES. I GOT COMPANIONS.
I'M NOT THE SAME OLD ME WHO CAN ONLY GUARD SHIPS.

AN EXPERIENCE EXCLUSIVE TO ME!

THERE IS SOMETHING I CAN DO NOW!



THAT YOUR MAJESTY WOULD MAKE A DEAL WITH A COMMONER BOY.

I WAS SURPRISED ...

UM.

KING RASHID, WE'RE APPROACHING NARPOLIA.

ON TOP OF THAT ...

LIKE WATERING A WAYSIDE FLOWER. THAT IS ALL.

...IT WAS ON A WHIM.

IS THERE SOMETHING SPECIAL ABOUT THAT YOUNGSTER?

I WILL BECOME KING.

IT WAS NO MORE THAN A CHILD'S SILLY TALK.

IN THE FACE OF THE HARSH REALITY, HE WILL BE CRUSHED BY HIS OWN DREAM.

EARNING A HUNDRED GOLD COINS IN A FEW WEEKS SHOULD BE IMPOSSIBLE ENOUGH TO MAKE HIM GIVE IT UP.

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IS THERE A GATHERING TODAY? SO CROWDED ...

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HURRY UP! IT'S ALREADY STARTED!

EVERYONE SAYS IT'S SO MUCH FUN. I CAN'T WAIT!

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THIS IS THE STORY OF THIS ONE BOY ...

A "DUNGEON,"
IS A MYSTERIOUS PLACE THAT TENS OF THOUSANDS OF MEN CHALLENGED, BUT NO ONE RETURNED.
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THE GUARDIAN OF THE GATE, AN ENORMOUS DRAGON WITH THE BREATH OF LIGHTNING!
AFTER DEFEATING COUNTLESS BABY DRAGONS, WHAT STOOD IN THE BOY'S WAY WAS...
STRUGGLING THROUGH THE DEAD BODIES OF TENS OF THOUSANDS OF SOLDIERS, THE BOY STOOD UP AGAINST IT!
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BARELY BEFORE THE DRAGON'S BREATH REACHED HIM,
THIS SWORD PIERCED THE DRAGON!

THAT'S RIGHT! THE BOY IN THE STORY ...
IS ME... SINBAD!
THAT LIGHTNING IS THE POWER OF A DJINN! HIS ADVENTURES ARE TRUE!
WOW! THE DUNGEON CONQUER-OR HIM-SELF!
Sinbad!
Sinbad!
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STORIES.
STREET PERFORMERS, AS WELL AS POETS, SELL MERCHANDISE NOT REGISTERED IN THE MERCHANT'S GUILD,
WE HAVE NO AUTHORITY OVER IT!
FOR INTANGIBLE ASSETS,
BUT WE CAN'T DO ANYTHING TO HIM.
THAT SINBAD IS GATHERING PEOPLE AND MAKING MONEY AGAIN.
DAMMIT!

SO THIS IS YOUR ANSWER.

GREAT THINKING, SINBAD!

SIR!
YOU HAVE RETURNED!
YES.
HARUN ...

YOU'RE FLATTERING ME... I HAVE YOU TO THANK FOR THIS, SIR.
INDEED. THIS IS SOMETHING ONLY THE DUNGEON CONQUEROR CAN DO. VERY GOOD THINKING.
AH. THANKS TO YOU.
SinBad! Yay! SinBad!
IMPRESSIVE... YOU GATHERED AN AUDIENCE WITH NO LESS THAN A THEATRICAL PERFORMANCE IN AN AMPHITHEATER!
STORIES OF ADVENTURE CAN GET ANYONE INTRIGUED AND EXCITED, LIKE HOW I WAS WHEN I WAS LITTLE.
AND IT'S LIKE A DREAM WHICH YOU YEARNED FOR. THAT'S HOW I NOTICED.
SIR, YOU TOLD ME THAT MY STORY WAS MORE INTERESTING THAN COURT POETS'.
SO PLEASE GIVE ME A LITTLE MORE TIME, SIR. I WILL REACH YOUR REQUIREMENTS!
NOT TO MENTION IT'S A TALE WHICH ONLY I CAN TELL. SO...
IF SOMETHING CAN BRING PEOPLE JOY, THEN IT CAN BECOME A "MERCHANDISE."
THIS IS LIKE LEGENDS IN STORYBOOKS COME TO LIFE.
FOR PEOPLE WHO HAVEN'T EXPERIENCED ADVENTURES IN THE DUNGEON,

I'M JUST A COUPLE AWAY FROM 100 GOLD COINS! SO I'LL NEVER GIVE UP!
WATCH ME EARN WITH MY PERFOR-MANCE!

IN THAT CASE, I'LL PAY MY PRICE FOR ENJOYING YOUR PER-FORMANCE.
I WAS THE ONE WHO THOUGHT IT'S IMPOSSIBLE AND GAVE UP...
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AS A "FRIEND", IT'S NATURAL FOR ME TO SUPPORT YOUR DREAM, RIGHT?
ACCEPT IT, SINBAD.

SINBAD,

LET'S DO A THEATRE PERFOR-MANCE.

.....HUH?

MY APOLOGIES, SIR, BUT THANKS TO YOUR HELP, I WAS ABLE TO REGISTER MY COMPANY.
WHY ARE YOU SURPRISED? I TOLD YOU, DIDN'T I? THAT I WOULD ASSIST YOU.
Oh Registering a company is this way
Company Verification Documents
YOU'VE DONE MORE THAN ENOUGH FOR ME...
IF YOU ARE REGISTERED, THEN YOU WILL BE ABLE TO TRADE IN THIS CITY.
I WOULD SAY THAT FROM NOW ON YOUR HARDSHIPS WILL BEGIN.
SINBAD, YOU ARE MATURE BEYOND YOUR YEARS, BUT AS A MERCHANT IT SEEMS LIKE THERE IS STILL MUCH FOR YOU TO LEARN.

AND JUST BECAUSE THE SHOP IS OPEN DOESN'T MEAN THAT BUSINESS WILL IMMEDIATELY COME. SUCCESS WON'T COME SO EASILY.
PLUS, WHO WILL COME TO THE STORE OF A NEW MERCHANT?
BESIDES THAT, YOU NEED STORED GOODS IN A WAREHOUSE. YOU ALSO NEED CARTS FOR TRANSPORT.
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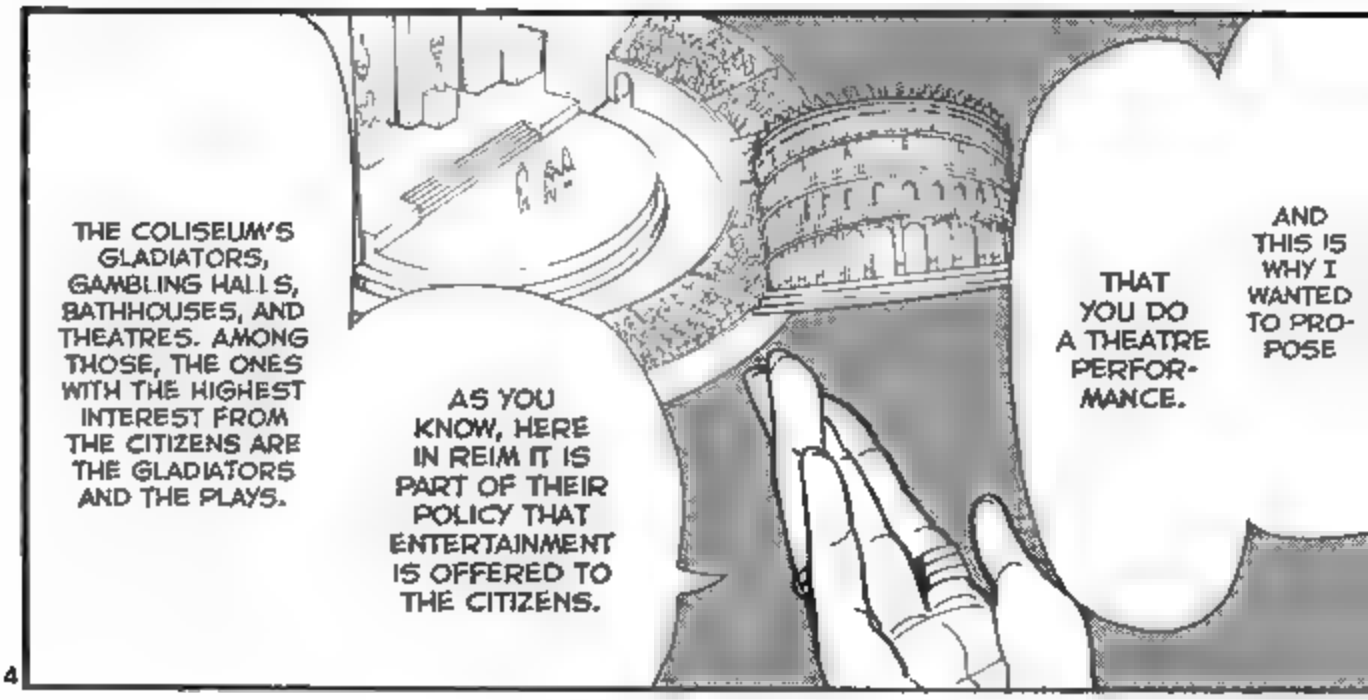
YOU WERE ABLE TO REGISTER YOUR COMPANY, BUT YOU ARE STILL MISSING A STORE FRONT, RIGHT?
TO BUILD A COMPANY YOU NEED MONEY DO YOU NOT?

I SEE....
NATURALLY, USING YOUR OWN ABILITIES.
UNTIL THEN, WE MUST HAVE EVERYTHING I JUST STATED PREPARED.
THERE IS STILL TIME UNTIL YOUR PARTNERS RETURN TO PORT...


THE COLISEUM'S GLADIATORS, GAMBLING HALLS, BATHHOUSES, AND THEATRES. AMONG THOSE, THE ONES WITH THE HIGHEST INTEREST FROM THE CITIZENS ARE THE GLADIATORS AND THE PLAYS.
AS YOU KNOW, HERE IN REIM IT IS PART OF THEIR POLICY THAT ENTERTAINMENT IS OFFERED TO THE CITIZENS.
THAT YOU DO A THEATRE PERFOR-MANCE.
AND THIS IS WHY I WANTED TO PRO-POSE

YOU HAVE A LIMITED AMOUNT OF TIME TO EARN MONEY SO THERE IS NO NEED FOR YOU TO RISK YOUR LIFE FIGHTING.

BUT MORE THAN ANYTHING, IT IS BECAUSE RIGHT NOW YOU DO NOT HAVE THE TIME FOR IT.

YOU ARE A DUNGEON CONQUEROR - YOU HAVE THE SKILLS AND THE CONFIDENCE FOR IT - BUT FOR NOW, REFRAIN FROM IT.

IT'S A HARSH SPECTACLE WHERE FELLOW HUMANS - AND SOMETIMES MONSTERS - FIGHT AGAINST EACH OTHER.

GLADIATORS AND PLAYS... THOSE TWO...

YES, BUT DON'T EVEN CONSIDER THE COLISEUM.

IT IS YOUR OWN BODY, BUT IT IS ALSO THE ONLY ASSET YOU POSSESS.

IF YOU ARE TO BE A MERCHANT, THEN YOU MUST UNDERSTAND HOW IMPORTANT THAT IS. YOU CANNOT DO THE IMPOSSIBLE.

... I UNDERSTAND.

THAT BEING SAID, EVEN THOUGH IT WAS YOUR FIRST TIME SPEAKING ABOUT YOUR ADVENTURES, IT WAS TRULY A GREAT PERFORMANCE!

HEARING IT FROM THE PERSON HIMSELF, THE NARRATIVE GAPS... AND DISPLAYING THE POWER OF THE DJINNS...!

THERE IS NOTHING YOU CAN'T DO TO MAKE THE MOST OF THIS!

WHICH WILL BECOME THE TALK OF THE TOWN?

I'LL DO IT!

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I HEAR THAT MANY OF THE THEATRE-GOERS ARE NOBLES AND THOSE OF THE ELECTORATE. THE PARTICIPATION OF CHILDREN IS ALSO ANTICIPATED. THROUGH THE RELATIONSHIP OF THE CHILDREN AND THEIR PARENTS, GOSSIP WILL GREATLY SPREAD.

WELL?

I BELIEVE THAT IT IS BEST IF YOU CAN USE ALL OF YOUR POPULARITY AT ONCE TO EARN MONEY.

YOUR MAJESTY, THE CARRIAGE IS OVER THERE.

YOU HAVE OFFICIAL BUSINESS TODAY. IT WAS PLANNED THAT YOU WOULD HEAD TO THE OFFICIAL RESIDENCE BY CARRIAGE.

DON'T WORRY. IF IT'S THIS DISTANCE, IT'S FASTER TO WALK ANYWAYS.

BESIDES, IF YOU DON'T MOVE AROUND A LITTLE BIT THEN IT'LL BE BAD FOR YOUR HEALTH.

I-IS THAT SO?

YOU MAJESTY, SOMEHOW IT LOOKS LIKE YOU'RE ENJOYING YOURSELF.

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WHAT ARE YOU TWO TALKING ABOUT.

HEHE... NO, IT'S NOTHING...

If I'd be doing this kinda stuff, I'd've stayed in Reim too...

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Hah.....

IF YOU HAVE TIME TO CHATTER, MOVE YOUR HANDS FASTER.

JA'FAR.

I DIDN'T COME WITH YOU FUCKS TO DO THIS KINDA CRAP!!

FUCK OFF!!!

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THAT'S RIGHT! CALM DOWN!!

STOP IT, JA'FAR!

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WHATEVER! I'M GOING BACK TO REIM EVEN IF I HAVE TO SWIM!!

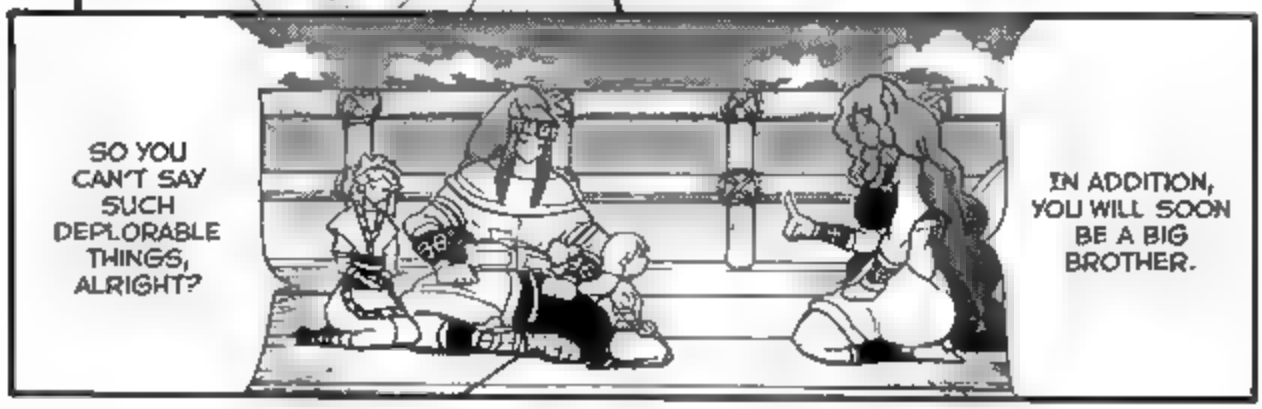
JA'FAR, I AM AWARE THAT *STUDYING* IS SOMETHING VERY PAINFUL FOR YOU, AND I HAVE REPEATEDLY BEEN LENIENT WITH YOU.
JA'FAR... COME HERE.

WE CAME TOGETHER AS A GROUP, NOT SO THAT YOU COULD STUDY, BUT BECAUSE YOUR MASTER WAS HERE... IS WHAT YOU WISH TO SAY, RIGHT?
NO MATTER HOW LONG YOU SIT STILL AT A DESK, IT IS SOMETHING THAT YOU CANNOT BEAR....
BUT, THIS IS SOMETHING YOU HAVE DECIDED UPON, IS IT NOT?
YOU WERE BORN INTO AN ORGANIZATION OF ASSASSINS. YOU DID NOT HAVE AN ORDINARY CHILDHOOD, AND YOU SHOULD HAVE NO EXPERIENCE WITH *STUDYING*.

..WHAT?
I FEEL THE SAME AS YOU, YOU ARE ANXIOUS ABOUT SINBAD AND WANTED TO STAY WITH HIM IN REIM.
WHEN YOU DECIDED TO FOLLOW YOUR MASTER,
YOU WOULD TRY TO CHANGE YOUR MANNER OF LIVING... ISN'T THIS WHAT YOU THOUGHT?

BUT THAT IS EXACTLY WHY YOU MUST PUT EFFORT INTO WHAT YOU ARE DOING HERE AND NOW.

IN ORDER TO REPAY YOUR MASTER WHO HAS GIVEN YOU A NEW WAY OF LIFE, AND BY BECOMING A HELPFUL PERSON TO HIM.



SO YOU'RE PREGNANT? THAT'S GREAT...
....HMMM....
THEY'RE DIFFERENT FROM ME...
AFTER ALL, THEY'RE...
YOU'LL TREAT THEM DIFFERENTLY FROM SHIT LIKE ME.
SINCE IT'S A BRAT CONNECTED BY BLOOD, YOU WON'T BE STRICT WITH 'EM AND WILL TREAT 'EM LOVINGLY, RIGHT...?
BECAUSE WE AREN'T RELATED BY BLOOD?
I'M STRICT ON YOU BECAUSE I HATE YOU?
I HAVE NEVER THOUGHT OF THAT.
SUCH A THING...
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GYA AA!!
JA'FAR... YOUR ASSUMPTIONS ARE MISTAKEN....

YOU ARE MY PRECIOUS FIRST CHILD.
AFTER ALL,
THAT IS EVERYTHING.
I LOVE YOU VERY MUCH....
BUT, BECAUSE I THINK OF YOU IN THIS WAY, I AM STRICT WITH YOU. I WOULD NOT DO THAT IF YOU WERE SOMEONE ELSE'S CHILD...
WE HAVEN'T BEEN TOGETHER FOR VERY LONG...

....I UNDER-STAND....

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...I'M...
IN TRUTH... I'M...
JA'FAR... THERE WAS ONE MORE THING I HADN'T TOLD YOU ABOUT...
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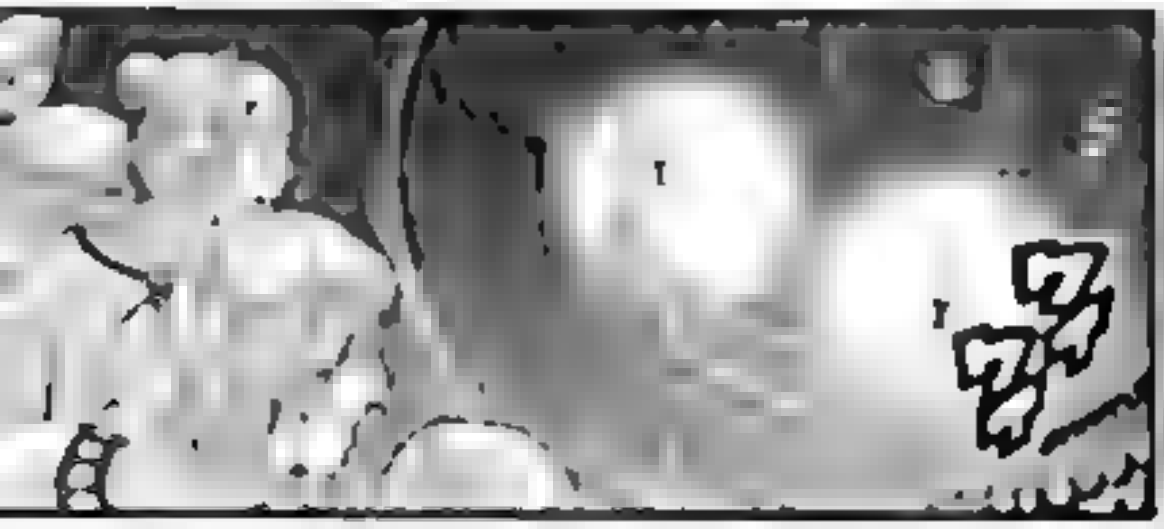
!? WH-WHAT'S WRONG...?

To be continued

The Napolia Amphitheater



WHO'S JUST SOME KID!?
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SO WHAT? IF IT ENDS UP BEING A WASTE OF TIME WE CAN JUST LEAVE IN THE MIDDLE OF IT...
PLUS, IT'S JUST SOME KID FROM WHO-KNOWS-WHERE...
HM?
SNOW ...?
T-THERE'S A PERSON UP THERE ...!?

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MY ...
THE LIGHTNING REFLECTED BY THE SNOW LOOKS LIKE TWINKLING STARS...
SO PRETTY ...
SINBAD, THE DUNGEON CONQUEROR!?
SO THIS IS...

THAT NIGHT,
SINBAD'S FIRST STAGE PERFORMANCE WAS A HUGE SUCCESS.

THERE HAD NEVER BEEN A PLAY, NOR A CHORAL SYMPHONY OF HUNDREDS, THAT COULD HAVE MATCHED THIS PERFORMANCE...

THEY ALL SAID THE SAME.

AND LEARNED THE STORIES OF THE DUNGEON ADVENTURES.

FOR THE FIRST TIME THEY SAW THE MAGICAL POWERS OF THE DJINNS,

THE AUDIENCE WAS VERY EXCITED.

AND SINBAD'S PLAY HAD A FULL HOUSE EVERY DAY TO THE POINT PEOPLE COULD NOT FIT IN.

AND SO, THAT REPUTATION SPREAD BEYOND NAPOLIA AS FAR AS THE REMOTE REGIONS OF REIM

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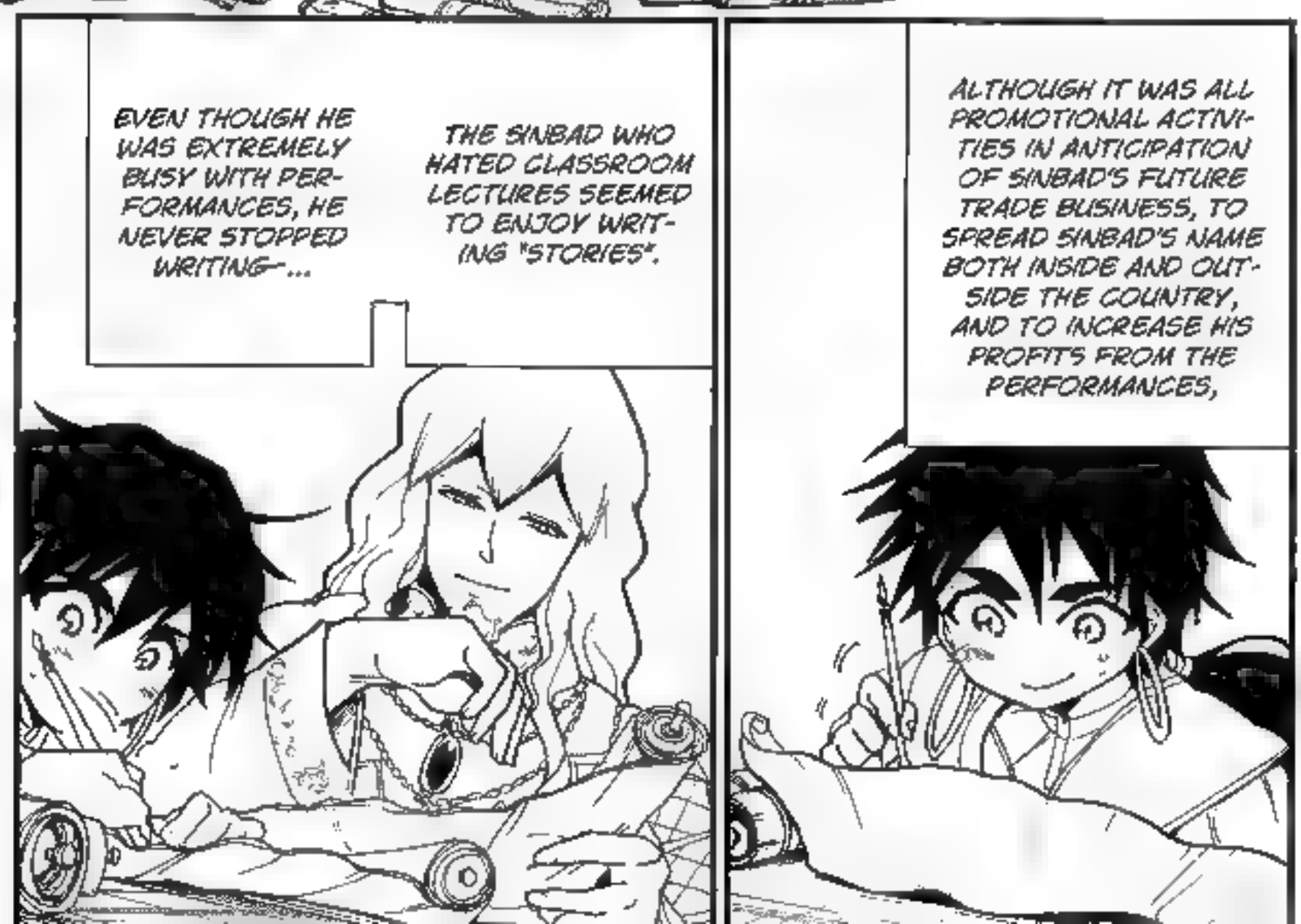
AND LIKE THAT

THERE WASN'T A SINGLE PERSON WHO DID NOT KNOW WHO HE WAS IN THAT CITY—..

SOON AFTER, ON THE RECOMMENDATION OF KING RASHID, SINBAD BEGAN TO WRITE HIS AUTOBIOGRAPHY



THE "ADVENTURES OF SINBAD" WOULD BE LOVINGLY READ BY PEOPLE ALL AROUND THE WORLD. BUT AT THE TIME NO ONE KNEW THAT YET-...

AND SUBSEQUENTLY,

A few months later

WHA-

WHAT IS THIS !!!??

HEY, EVERY-ONE.

JUST WHAT HAPPENED IN A FEW MONTHS ...

DID SINBAD OPEN THIS?

THE PORT WAS EMPTY SO WE WENT LOOKING AROUND, BUT IS THIS THE SINDRIA TRADING COMPANY?

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SOMETHING'S CHANGED!

SINBAD!!?

AND IT'S ALSO POSSIBLE FOR US TO TRADE ALL AROUND THE WORLD!

LIKE SO, WE'LL BE ABLE TO TRADE IN REIM

THE SINDRIA TRADING COMPANY RECEIVED A LICENCE FROM REIM'S CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND SO IT IS A LEGITIMATE COMPANY WHILE WAITING FOR YOU TO RETURN, I MADE THIS FIRM.

HEY, SOMETHING HAPPENED, RIGHT?

MASTER?

IS THAT SO ...

IF YOU WEREN'T HERE, I WOULDN'T BE WHO I AM RIGHT NOW, AND MY COMPANY WOULD NOT EXIST.

MAKE AN EFFORT TO DO BUSINESS.

FROM NOW ON, AS BOTH AN ADVENTURER AND A MERCHANT,

YOUR GRATITUDE IS UNNECESSARY. DURING MY STAY HERE, I ENJOYED BEING BY YOUR SIDE WHILE YOU PARTOOK IN YOUR DAZZLING ACTIVITIES.

NOT AT ALL... IT'S ALL THANKS TO YOU, MASTER.

SINBAD, YOU DID A GREAT JOB GETTING THIS FAR ON YOUR OWN.

YES, MASTER!

OF COURSE, THIS IS FOR TRADE NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN MY COUNTRY AND YOURS. BEFORE THEN, EXPAND YOUR COMPANY

I AM RELUCTANT TO PART, BUT I MUST. IF YOU EVER COME TO BALBADD, COME BY THE ROYAL PALACE.

MY OFFICIAL BUSINESS IN NOW OVER IN REIM AND SO I MUST RETURN TO BALBADD.

KEEP WELL, SINBAD!
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FROM ESTABLISHING THE BUSINESS TO TODAY, THE ONE WHO TAUGHT ME COMMERCE WAS... THE KING OF BALBADD.

KING !!?

UMM ...

HE'S NOT SOME ORDINARY PERSON, RIGHT!?

HEY!? WHO'S YOUR MASTER?

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SINBAD

I TOO MUST LIKELY FACE DIFFICULTIES LIKE YOU HAVE

WE CAN DO BUSINESS AGAIN. LET'S TAKE BACK THE TIME WE LOST!

THE CARGO YOU BROUGHT FROM IMLCHAKK IS HERE, RIGHT?

WELL, LET'S PUT ASIDE THE MINOR DETAILS...

Just what did you

YOU'RE ONE HECK OF A GUY ..

HONESTLY ..

IS TO FOUND A COUNTRY!

WE'LL PERSISTENTLY DO BUSINESS FOR FOUNDATION MONEY... BECAUSE OUR GOAL

WE CAN'T AFFORD TO GET STUCK HERE.

YEAH !!!

IT'S THE SINDRIA TRADING COMPANY'S NEW BE-GINNING!

AH... JA'FAR, HUH?

HUH? BY THE WAY, WHERE'S JA'FAR?

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THAT GUY... JA'FAR IS...

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BABY-SITTER!

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MY SON'S

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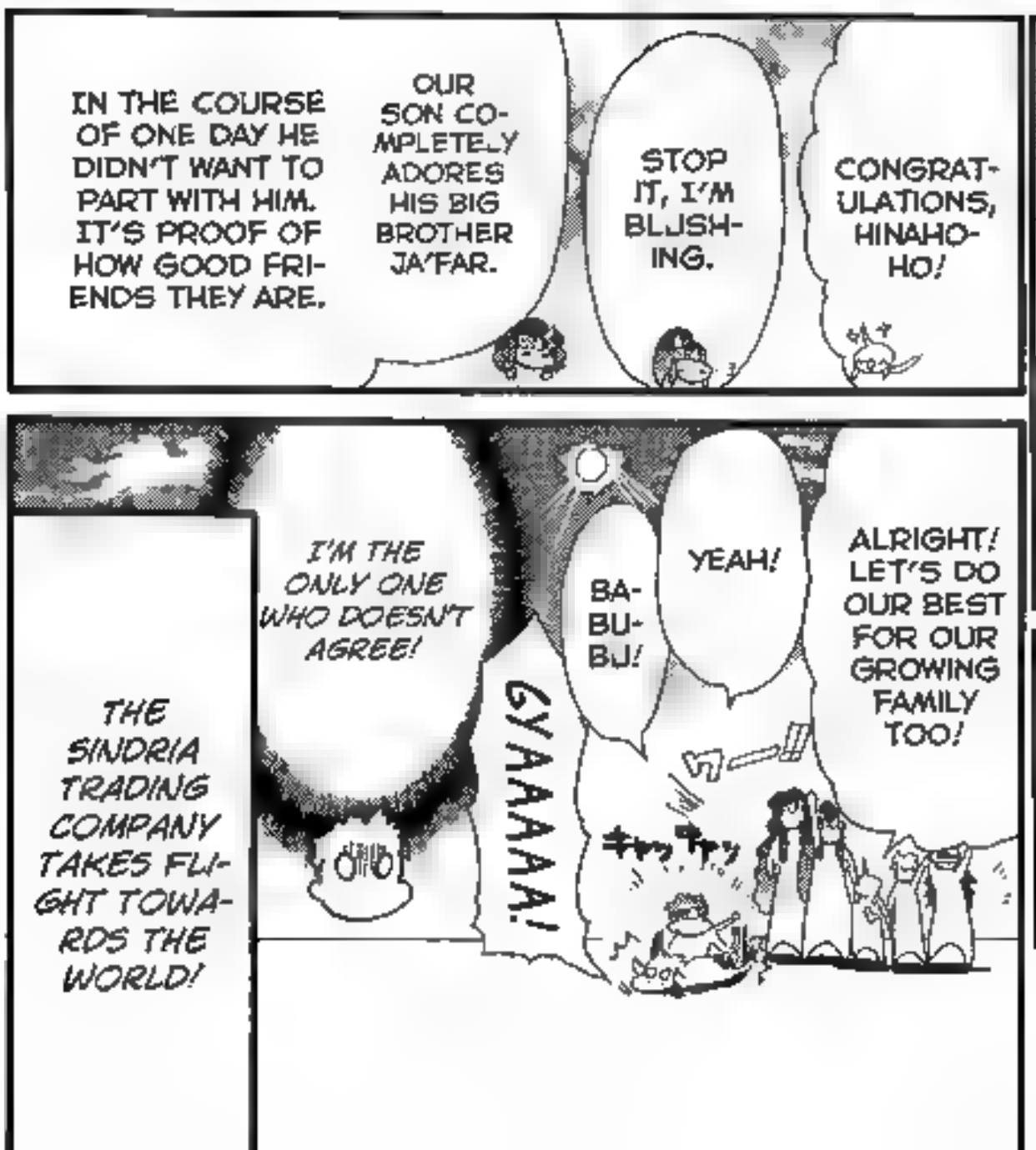

THIS IS REIM'S TERRITORY, A FOREST IN THE SUBURBS OF NAPOLEA. THIS IS ME TAKING A WALK BECAUSE OF THE GOOD WEATHER, BUT...

HELLO, MY NAME IS JA'FAR.

WE ARE LOST.

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THANKS TO THIS DAMNED CHILD, BOTH OUR COMPASS AND MAP ARE BROKEN, AND SO...

SOON ENOUGH, FOR SOME UNKNOWN REASON THAT I DON'T KNOW, HE HAD REACHED MY HEIGHT.

EVEN THOUGH IT'S OBVIOUS THAT I WON'T BE ABLE TO MANAGE HIM SHOULD HE GO CRAZY...

11 years old

less than 1 year old

We'll have Big Brother look after you

We have to row our boats, so

WHY DID IT COME TO THIS?

IT ALL HAPPENED A FEW DAYS BACK. I WAS TASKED TO BABYSIT THE CHILD OF THE HINAHOHO COUPLE, WHOSE NAME IS "KIKIRIKU".

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Daah!!!!

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WHY... WHY DO I HAVE TO BABYSIT HIM!

I SHOULD BE THE ONE CRYING, YOU KNOW!

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YOU DESERVE THAT! I TOLD YOU NOT TO DO THAT ...

Waaah!

Waaah!

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STOP CRYING COME, LET'S GO.

BU... BUBU ...
STOP MESSING AROUND, STUPID CHILD! DO WHAT YOU WANT.
THIS HAS GOT NOTHING TO DO WITH ME!
LITTLE BROTHER? HMPH! IT WAS JUST AN EXCUSE TO FORCE THINGS ON ME. TO BEGIN WITH, WE'RE NOT EVEN RELATED BY BLOOD, SO HE'S JUST A STRANGER AND A BRAT!
OKAY, OKAY, SO I WAS WRONG...
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I'LL MAKE YOU REGRET MAKING ME ANGRY
SERVES YOU RIGHT

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BY-AAA AN!

WAAAAAH!

TOOOYOOOH

DID IT ESCAPE FROM THE ARENA?
CHAINS!?
WHY IS THERE SUCH A LARGE MONSTER IN THIS PLACE!?
I'LL TAKE YOU DOWN WITH ONE BLOW!
SHAMLASH STYLE. ASSASSINATION TECHNIQUE. DARTS MANIPULATION TECHNIQUE.

HE USED HIS SHACKLES AS A SHIELD AND AVOIDED MY DARTS!?
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WHA ...?
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IT'S A CHAIN THAT'S USED TO RESTRAIN GIGANTIC MONSTERS LIKE THIS. MY DARTS AREN'T STRONG ENOUGH TO PIERCE THROUGH THAT...

ON TOP OF NOT HAVING NOTICED THOSE CHAINS, I EVEN TOOK A DIRECT [illegible] FROM.... HAVE I BECOME [illegible]

IT'S BECAUSE I'VE CHANGED.

I LEFT THE ORGANIZATION AND JOINED THESE PEOPLE.

I HAVE FOUND ANOTHER MEANING TO LIFE ASIDE FROM KILLING. THEY GUIDED ME, TO WHOM ASSASSINATION WAS HIS LIFE.

THAT'S MORE THAN ENOUGH TO BE CONSIDERED A MEANINGFUL LIFE!

I SHOULD BE SAVING KIKIRIKU!

IS PROTECT THESE PEOPLE.

THERE'S NO TIME FOR ME TO REGRET HAVING LOST MY SKILLS WHAT I SHOULD REALLY DO RIGHT NOW

BORN FROM THE LIGHTNING DJINN "BAAL", THE "HOUSEHOLD" OF LIGHTNING!

THEE, WHO SEEKS POWER. I AM THE "HOUSEHOLD".

WA-AH!

HOUSE-HOLD VESSEL!
Bararaq Sei!!
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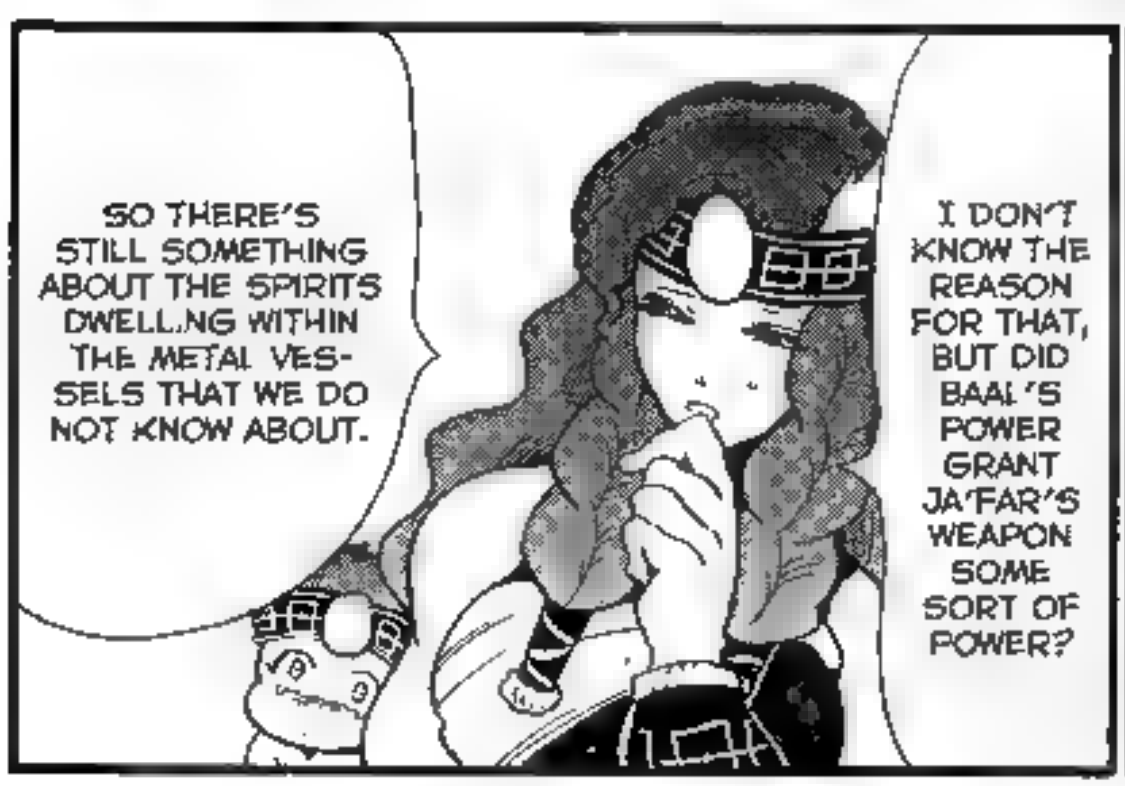
HEY, ARE YOU ALRIGHT, JA'FAR?



IF I'M THE FIRST DUNGEON CAPTURER, THEN YOU'RE THE FIRST ...DJINN WARRIOR!

THAT'S AMAZING! SO DJINNS ARE CAPABLE OF DOING THIS SORT OF THING AS WELL!

SIN...! I FEEL THAT WE CAN ACCOMPLISH ANYTHING WITH THIS POWER!

GRANTED MY WEAPONS POWER...

BAAL'S SWORD ...

THAT'S GREAT TO HEAR, JA'FAR. BUT FIRST, WE HAVE TO TEND TO YOUR WOUNDS, OR ELSE...

DAAH DAH!

OWWW!! LET GO OF ME, KIKIRIKU!

SO YOU WERE WORRIED AS WELL... THAT'S A GOOD LITTLE BRO-

HE'S NOT GOOD IN ANY WAY!

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PARTEVIA.
IN MY HOME-LAND

EXTRA COMIC SOMETHING THAT HAPPENED BEFORE THEY CAME TO REIM.

ARE YOU LEAVING FOR REIM ALREADY?

BIG BROTHER SINBAD ...

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PIPI-R KA.

I GUESS I REALLY SHOULD ...

ERM... I...

AFTER WE LOAD UP THE CARGO THAT IS.. DON'T WORRY, THE IMUCHAKK GOODS THAT EVERYONE HAS CAREFULLY SELECTED ARE SURE TO SELL.

YEP.

PLEASE COME BACK AGAIN, OKAY? I'LL BE WAITING.

OKAY.

BUT ...

ONLY HINAHOHO AND RURU-MU GOT PERMISSION TO LEAVE. SO...

OKAY ..

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PLEASE TAKE THESE WITH YOU. THEY'RE THE FRUITS THAT YOU USED TO EAT WHENEVER YOU DROPPED BY
PLEASE COME AND VISIT MY HOUSE AS WELL ONCE YOU RETURN, OKAY?
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THANK YOU.
LORD SINBAD, I WILL BE WAITING AS WELL.
...NOTHING?
HEY DID SOMETHING HAPPEN BETWEEN THE TWO OF YOU?
...
NOTHING?
...SOMETHING REALLY DID HAPPEN, DIDN'T IT?
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We'll Be waiting, Lord Sinbad~ Kyaaa~

IF YOU REALLY ARE SERIOUS ABOUT IT, I CAN TRY NEGOTIATING WITH THE CHIEF, YOU KNOW? NOT ONLY ARE YOU MY DAUGHTER, YOU ARE SOON TO BE LADY RURUMU'S SISTER-IN-LAW AS WELL, SO I'M SURE THAT HE WILL GRANT YOU PERMISSION.

PIPIRIKA.

NO ...

IF I FOLLOW HIM NOW, I'LL JUST BE A BURDEN...THAT MUCH, I UNDERSTAND.

IF I FOLLOW HIM, I THINK... I WILL HAVE TO BE PREPARED TO THROW EVERYTHING AWAY FOR HIS SAKE.

SINBAD DOES NOT NEED ME.

DID SOMETHING HAPPEN BETWEEN THE TWO OF YOU?

Girl! You're not allowed to lie!

...NOTHING.

I'm telling you there's nothing!

SO.

MY FEMALE INSTINCTS ARE TELLING ME THAT ...

SINBAD IS ALWAYS UP TO SOMETHING.

I SEE ..

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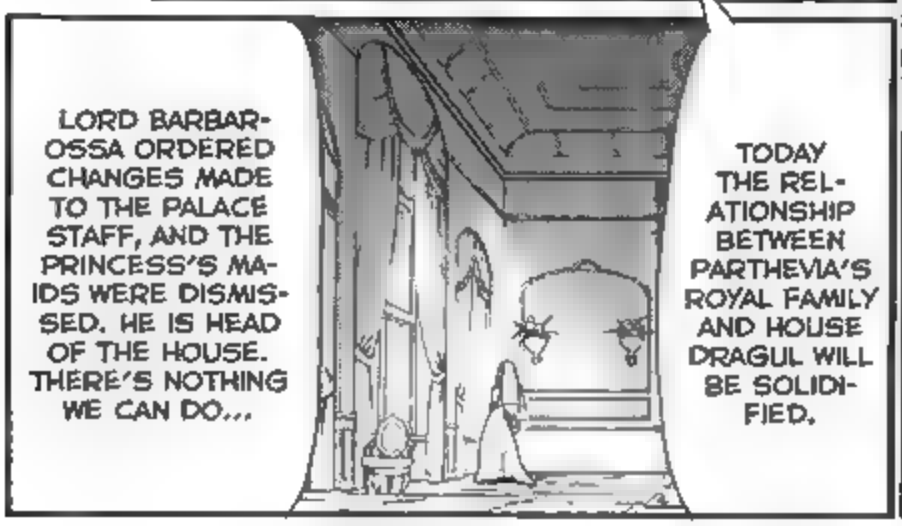
Parthevia Imperial Capital

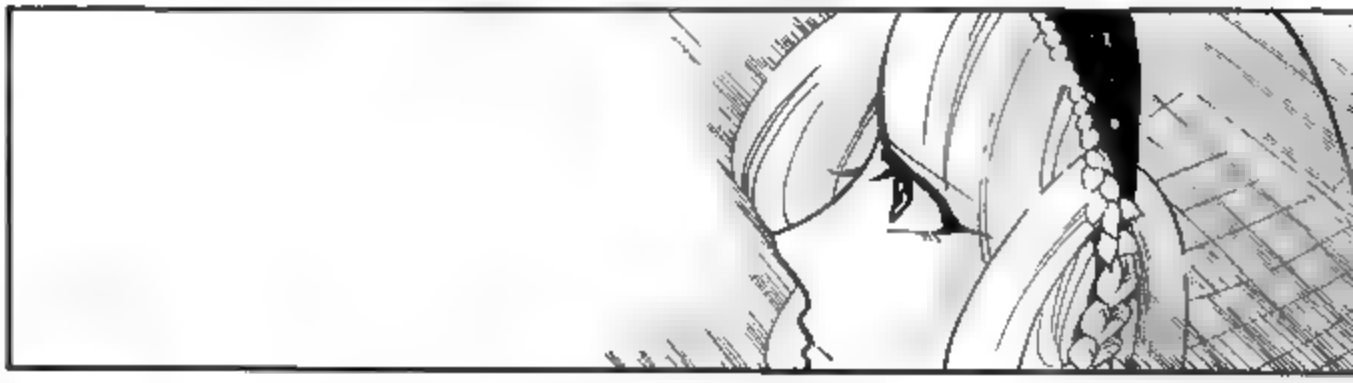
I RE-TURN TO PARTHEVIA AND AM FA-CED WITH THIS...
EVERYWHERE YOU GO, THE CAPITAL IS RIGOROUSLY GUARDED BY SOLDIERS..
THAT BUSTLING CASTLE TOWN...
HAS BECOME LIKE A GHOST TOWN... SUCH MILITARY OPPRES-SION. I MUST HURRY.

PRINCESS SERENDINE.
ALL PREPARATIONS ARE NOW COMPLETE. THE WEDDING CEREMONY WILL BEGIN MOMENTARILY.
...I SEE.
SAHEL. TAMIRA.
THANK YOU FOR REMAINING BY MY SIDE UNTIL NOW ...
I WISH YOU WELL.

IT WOULD BE NICE IF WE COULD AT LEAST CONTINUE TO SERVE UNDER HER...
INDEED ...


LORD BARBAROSSA ORDERED CHANGES MADE TO THE PALACE STAFF, AND THE PRINCESS'S MAIDS WERE DISMISSED. HE IS HEAD OF THE HOUSE. THERE'S NOTHING WE CAN DO...
TODAY THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN PARTHEVIA'S ROYAL FAMILY AND HOUSE DRAGUL WILL BE SOLIDIFIED.

THE PRINCESS SEEMED HEARTBROKEN.



WILL WE NEVER... RUN AROUND THE BATTLEFIELD, FIGHTING AND LEADING TROOPS LIKE WE USED TO...?

EVEN THOUGH I MANAGED TO DELAY THE WEDDING CEREMONY THUS FAR, THAT NIT-PICKING, STONE-FACED BARBAROSSA REFUSED TO WAIT ANY LONGER.

YOU DIDN'T FUL-FIL YOUR PROMISE TO WATCH MY BACK FOR ME AFTER ALL...
YOU DIE IN ACTION!
WITHOUT A WORD ...
I WAS ALWAYS WAITING ...
FROM WHEN YOU ENLISTED IN THE MILITARY ACADEMY RIG-HT UP UNTIL TODAY...AND YET...
DRAGUL ...

DRAGUL, YOU DUMMY!
H-HERE!
TRUE TO FORM, PRINCESS, YOU SENSED MY PRESENCE AND CRIED OUT...
PARDON THE INTRUSION/ THE CRIME OF ENTERING YOUR HIGHNESS' QUARTERS WITHOUT PERMISSION IS PUNISHABLE BY COURT MARTIAL.
HOWEVER, SINCE THERE IS NO TIME TO LOSE... PLEASE FORGIVE ME.
DRAGUL ...
HAS PRESENTLY RETURNED.

FORTUNATELY, THERE'S NO ONE IN THE DRAGUL RESIDENCE. THAT'S WHY I WAS ABLE TO REACH THE PALACE WITHOUT BEING SEEN...
WHEN WE WERE LITTLE, WE WOULD OFTEN GET SCOLDED FOR COMING AND GOING BETWEEN THE DRAGUL RESIDENCE AND THE PALACE WITHOUT PERMISSION, REMEMBER? THANKS TO THAT, THE PASSAGE WAS BLOCKED UP, BUT IT'S STILL USABLE...
HAVE YOU FORGOTTEN? IN CASE OF EMERGENCY, SOME NOTED FAMILIES POSSESS SECRET PASSAGES.
HOW ...
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Time for adventure!
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YOU WERE ALIVE ...
THANK GOD...

I DOUBT YOU WILL BELIEVE ME... EVEN SO, FOR YOUR SAKE...I HAVE RISKED EVERYTHING TO RETURN TO THIS COUNTRY.

PRINCESS SERENDINE. THERE'S SOMETHING VERY IMPORTANT I MUST TELL YOU...

...YES.

THAT PERSON IS...

RATHER, SOMEONE FAKED MY DEATH ...

I DID NOT DIE IN ACTION...

ERM...

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THEY LOOK BEAUTIFUL. YOUR HIGHNESS IS MORE RADIANT THAN EVER ...

...THOSE CLOTHES,

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AH!

NO, NOTHING AT ALL...

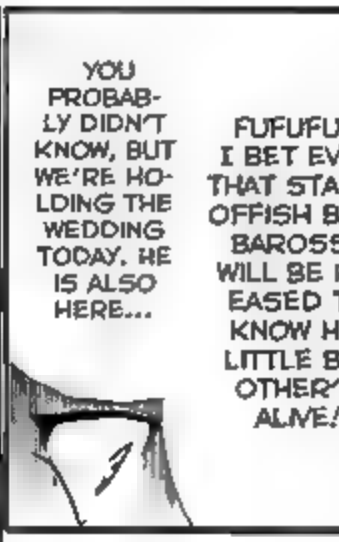
...SOMETHING WRONG?

WHAT ARE YOU ON ABOUT ...?
R-RIGHT!! THAT WAS IMPROPER. APOLOGIES...
HAHAHAHA! WHAT A THING TO SAY IN THIS SITUATION.

YOU HAVEN'T CHANGED.

I'M RELIEVED.

BARBAROSSA
HE'S... HE'S HERE!


YOU PROBABLY DIDN'T KNOW, BUT WE'RE HOLDING THE WEDDING TODAY. HE IS ALSO HERE...
FUFUFU... I BET EVEN THAT STANDOFFISH BARBAROSSA WILL BE PLEASED TO KNOW HIS LITTLE BROTHER'S ALIVE!

You used to be shorter than me, right?
SINCE WE LAST SAW EACH OTHER, HUH?
HM? BUT YOU HAVE GROWN SLIGHTLY

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YOU CAN'T JUST COME IN UNINVITED!
WHAT IN-SOLENCE! THESE ARE THE PRIN-CESS'S QU-ARTERS.
FOUND HIM! THE INTRUD-ER'S IN THIS ROOM.
!?
HE'S A TRAITOR WHO PLOTTED TO OVERTHROW THE STATE!
GET OUTTA MY WAY!

!?
YOU HEARD THEM.
WHAT'S GOING ON, DRAGUL!?
THAT'S THE KIND OF MAN HE IS.
BARBAROSSA PLANNED TO DISPOSE OF ME BY HAVING ME KILLED IN ACTION.
YOU WILL BE EXECUTED!
ON LORD BARBAROSSA'S ORDERS

BARBAROS-SA IS JUST USING YOU.
LOOK OUT!
DIE!

PRINCESS ...
PLEASE HAVE FAITH AND FOLLOW ME.
LET'S LEAVE PARTHEVIA!

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THIS SECRET PASSAGE IS CONNECTED TO THE DRAGUL RESIDENCE, OUTSIDE THE PALACE.
SERENDINE, YOU MUST ESCAPE THE COUNTRY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE!
I'M AN IMPERIAL PRINCESS.
...I CAN'T GO WITH YOU.
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WAIT, DRAGUL!

AS A PRINCESS
I WILL CARRY OUT MY DUTY AT ALL COSTS!
THAT IS WHAT I HAVE LIVED FOR UNTIL TODAY!
BREAKING MY MARRIAGE PACT WITH HOUSE DRAGUL WOULD RUIN THE ROYAL FAMILY
...
YOU KNOW WHAT'LL HAPPEN IF I RUN AWAY, DON'T YOU!?
I'D BE BETRAYING MY FATHER AND MY COUNTRY.

DRAGUL!
I CANNOT TURN A BLIND EYE TO THE DANGER APPROACHING YOU!

SHE'S. .EXACTLY HOW I USED TO BE. BOUND BY LOYALTY TO THE ARMY, TO THE STATE .. LIKE I WAS BEFORE I MET SINBAD.
I KNOW THAT... BUT I...

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STOP RIGHT THERE,
LITTLE BROTHER.

LITTLE BROTHER.
TRYING TO FLEE WITH MY BRIDE... HOW ILL-MANNERED YOU'VE BECOME.

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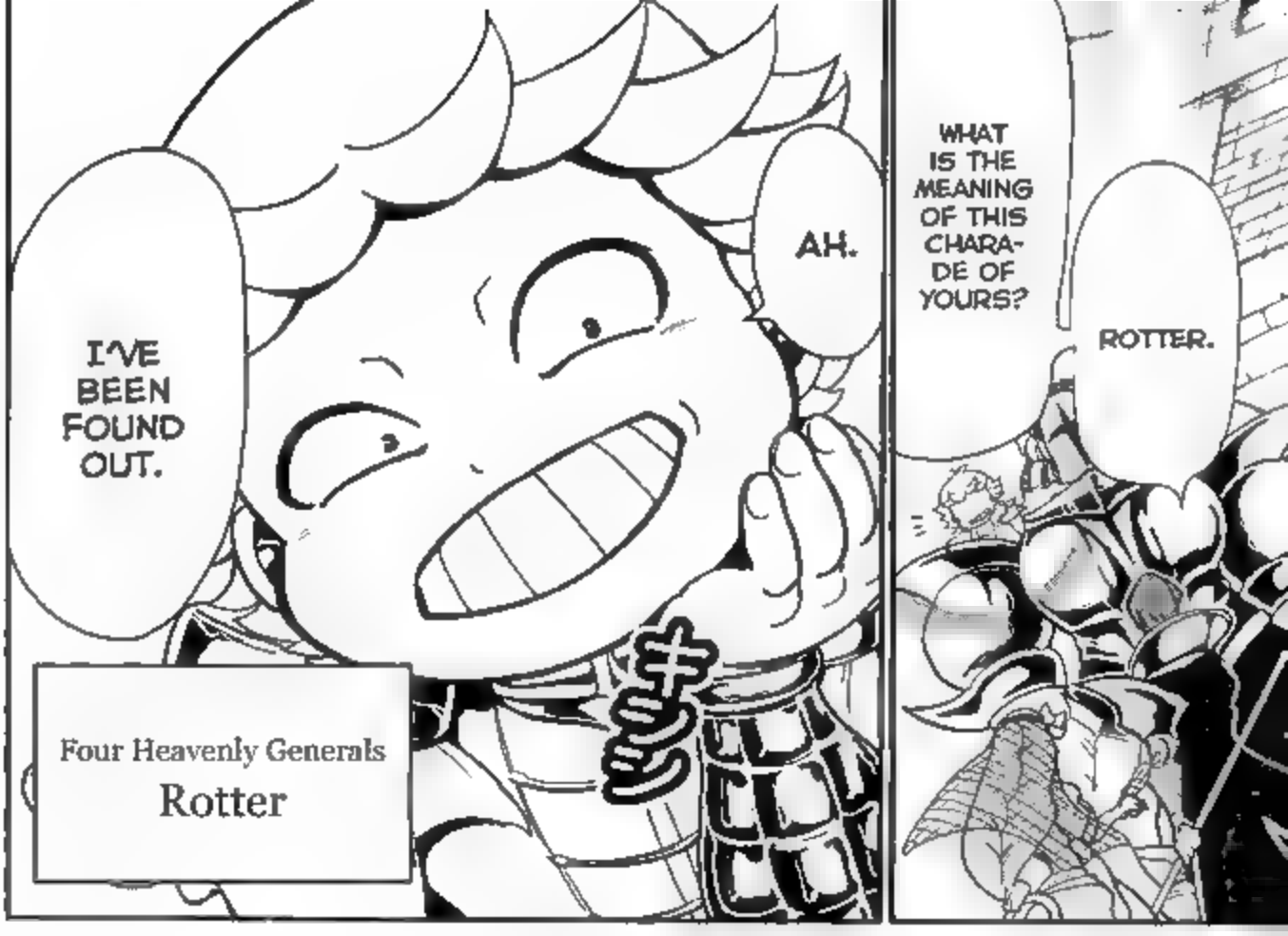
COME, I'LL TAKE YOU BACK TO THE PA-LACE.
ARE YOU UNHARMED, PRINCESS SERENDINE?
DON'T MOVE.

IT'S FINE. I MAY CALL HIM MY BROTHER, BUT HE'S DISGRACED OUR FAMILY NAME AND ACHIEVED NOTHING OF NOTE.
THAT ASIDE,
Four Heavenly Generals
Memphis
YOU ARE NOT WORTH MY LORD'S TROUBLE ...
I'LL KILL YOU.
Leader of Sham Lash
Reassigned to Four Heavenly Generals
Shaka
AFTER ALL THAT EFFORT, YOU'LL STILL GOING BACK TO BEING DEAD...
CARELESS ONE ...
THE YOUNGEST OF HOUSE DRAGUL. I DON'T WISH TO SHED UNNECESSARY BLOOD...
Four Heavenly Generals
Zayzafon


I'VE BEEN FOUND OUT.
AH.
Four Heavenly Generals
Rotter
WHAT IS THE MEANING OF THIS CHARADE OF YOURS?
ROTTER.

THAT'S OUR CHIEF! I AM THRILLED YOU DEPEND ON ME. BUT HAVE A BIT MORE CONFIDENCE IN YOUR KID BROTHER, TOO~
MY BROTHER ISN'T SMART ENOUGH TO ELUDE YOUR SURVEILLANCE.
OBVIOUSLY.

BESIDES... EVEN IF MY FRIENDS WERE DISCOVERED, THEY'D BE OVERLOOKED~
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DIDN'T HE RETURN HOME JUST TO RESCUE THE PRINCESS?
I WANTED TO SEE MORE HEROICS.
AFTER ALL CHIEF,

IF SOMETHING HAD HAPPENED TO PRINCESS SERENDINE, YOU'D BE HEADLESS.
I KNOW THAT~
I CAUGHT UP WITH YOU, DIDN'T I?

DO WHAT YOU LIKE.

IN EXCHANGE ...
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THE PRINCESS ASIDE ...

SINCE IT'S BEEN A WHILE, I'LL GO ALL OUT!
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I CAN HAVE SOME FUN, RIGHT?

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KYA-AA!!!

THEY'RE COMING FROM THE CANAL!

A HUGE SWARM OF RATS!?

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THESE RATS ARE MY EYES, MY NOSE, THEY CAN EVEN BE-COME MY FLESH.

I'M ROTTER, ONE OF THE FOUR HEAVENLY GENERALS' GREAT BE-AST TAM-ERS.

LET'S PLAY TO-GETH-ER!!
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THAT'S ...NOT HUMAN ...
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NO, WE ARE BEINGS WHO HAVE TRANSCENDED HUMANITY.
WE ARE THE STRONGEST OF SOLDIERS.
BY FUSING WITH DUNGEON CREATURES, WE ACQUIRED A NEW POWER.